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1112.5 Bus stop siting. Bus stop sites shall be chosen such that, to the maximum extent practicable, the areas where lifts or ramps are to be deployed comply with Sections 1112.2 and 1112.3.

SECTION 1113A FIXED TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES AND STATIONS

1113.1 General. Fixed transportation facilities and stations shall comply with the applicable provisions of Sections 1113.2 through 1113.4.

1113.2 New construction. New stations in rapid rail, light rail, commuter rail, intercity bus, intercity rail, high speed rail and other fixed guideway systems shall comply with Sections 1113.2.1 through 1113.2.9.

1113.2.1 Station entrances. Where different entrances to a station serve different transportation fixed routes or groups of fixed routes, at least one entrance serving each group or route shall comply with Section 1104 and ICC/ANSI A117.1. Accessible entrances shall, to the maximum extent practicable, coincide with those used by the majority of the general public. In below ground subway stations, at least one entrance to each station shall comply with Section 1104 and ICC/ANSI A117.1.

1113.2.2 Signs. Signage in fixed transportation facilities and stations shall comply with Sections 1113.2.2.1 through 1113.2.2.3.

1113.2.2.1 Tactile signs. Where signs are provided at entrances to stations identifying the station or the entrance, or both, at least one sign at each entrance shall be tactile and shall comply with ICC/ANSI A117.1. Such signs shall be placed in uniform locations at entrances within the transit system to the maximum extent practicable.

Exception: Where the station has no defined entrance but signs are provided, the tactile signs shall be placed in a central location.

1113.2.2.2 Identification signs. Stations covered by this section shall have identification signs complying with ICC/ANSI A117.1. Signs shall be clearly visible and within the sightlines of a standing or sitting passenger from within the train on both sides when not obstructed by another train.

1113.2.2.3 Informational signs. Lists of stations, routes and destinations served by the station which are located on boarding areas, platforms, or mezzanines shall comply with ICC/ANSI A117.1. A minimum of one tactile sign identifying the specific station and complying with ICC/ANSI A117.1 shall be provided on each platform or boarding area. Signs covered by this provision shall, to the maximum extent practicable, be placed in uniform locations within the transit system.

Exception: Where sign space is limited, track numbers, train destination names, directions to the ticket office, and information essential to using the transit system shall have a character height of

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3 inches (76 mm) minimum and shall comply with ICC/ANSI A117.1. Specific exit street names, directional information, and other information not essential to use of the transit system shall have a character height of 1.5 inches (38 mm) minimum and shall comply with ICC/ANSI A117.1.

1113.2.3 Fare machines. Self-service fare vending, collection and adjustment machines shall comply with ICC/ANSI A117.1. Where self-service fare vending, collection or adjustment machines are provided for the use of the general public, at least one accessible machine of each type provided shall be provided at each accessible point of entry or exit.

1113.2.4 Rail-to-platform height. In stations covered by this section, rail-to-platform height shall be coordinated with the floor height of new vehicles so that the vertical difference, measured when the vehicle is at rest, is within plus or minus 0.625 inch (15.9 mm) under normal passenger load conditions. For rapid rail, light rail, commuter rail, high speed rail, and intercity rail systems in new stations, the horizontal gap, measured when the new vehicle is at rest, shall be 3 inches (76 mm) maximum. For slow-moving automated guideway "people mover" transit systems, the horizontal gap in new stations shall be 1 inch (25.4 mm) maximum.

Exceptions:

1. For existing vehicles operating in new light rail, commuter rail, high speed rail, and intercity rail stations, the maximum vertical difference with respect to the new platform shall be plus or minus 1.5 inches (38 mm).
2. In light rail, commuter rail and intercity rail systems where it is not operationally or structurally feasible to meet the horizontal gap or vertical difference requirements, mini-high platforms, car-borne or platform-mounted lifts, ramps or bridge plates, or similar manually deployed devices meeting the applicable requirements of 36 CFR Part 1192, or 49 CFR Part 38 shall suffice.

1113.2.5 TTYs. Where a public pay telephone is provided in a transit facility (as defined by the Department of Transportation) at least one public TTY complying with ICC/ANSI A117.1 shall be provided in the station. Where one or more public pay telephones serve a particular entrance to a bus or rail station, at least one TTY telephone complying with ICC/ANSI A117.1 shall be provided to serve that entrance.

1113.2.6 Track crossings. Where it is necessary to cross tracks to reach boarding platforms, the route surface shall be level with the rail top at the outer edge and between the rails, except for a 2.5 inch (64 mm) maximum gap on the inner edge of each rail to permit passage of wheel flanges. Where gap reduction is not practicable, an above-grade or below-grade accessible route shall be provided.

1113.2.7 Public address systems. Where public address systems are provided to convey information to the public in terminals, stations or other fixed facilities, a means of conveying the same or equivalent information to persons with hearing loss or who are deaf shall be provided.

1113.2.8 Clocks. Where clocks are provided for use by the general public, the clock face shall be uncluttered so that its elements are clearly visible. Hands, numerals and digits shall contrast with the background either light-on-dark or dark-on-light. Where clocks are mounted overhead, numerals and digits shall comply with ICC/ANSI A117.1.

1113.2.9 Escalators. Where provided in below-grade stations, escalators shall have a clear width of 32 inches (813 mm) minimum.

1113.3 Existing facilities: key stations. Rapid, light and commuter rail key stations, as defined under criteria established by the Department of Transportation in Subpart C of 49 CFR Part 37, and existing intercity rail stations shall comply with Sections 1113.3.1 through 1113.3.3.

1113.3.1 Accessible route. At least one accessible route from an accessible entrance to those areas necessary for use of the transportation system shall be provided. The accessible route shall include the features specified in Section 1113.2, except that the escalators shall not be required to comply with Section 1113.2.9. Where technical infeasibility in existing stations requires the accessible route to lead from the public way to a paid area of the transit system, an accessible fare collection machine complying with Section 1113.2.3 shall be provided along such accessible route.

1113.3.2 Rail-to-platform height. In light rail and commuter rail key stations, the platform or a portion thereof and the vehicle floor shall be coordinated so that the vertical difference, measured when the vehicle is at rest, is within plus or minus 1.5 inches (38 mm) under normal passenger load conditions, and the horizontal gap, measured when the vehicle is at rest, is 3 inches (76 mm) maximum for at least one door of each vehicle or car required to be accessible by 49 CFR Part 37.

Exceptions:

1. Existing vehicles retrofitted to meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 37.93 (one-car-per-train rule) shall be coordinated with the platform such that, for at least one door, the vertical difference between the vehicle floor and the platform, measured when the vehicle is at rest with 50 percent normal passenger capacity, is within plus or minus 2 inches (51 mm) and the horizontal gap is 4 inches (102 mm) maximum.
2. Where it is not structurally or operationally feasible to meet the horizontal gap or vertical difference requirements, mini-high platforms, car-borne, or platform mounted lifts, ramps or bridges plates, or similar manually deployed devices, meeting the applicable requirements of 36 CFR Part 1192 shall suffice.

1113.3.3 Direct connections. New direct connections to commercial, retail or residential facilities shall, to the maximum extent feasible, have an accessible route complying with Section 5062 of the Existing Buildings Code from the point of connection to boarding platforms and transportation system elements used by the public. Any elements provided to facilitate future direct connections shall be on an accessible route connecting boarding platforms and transportation system elements used by the public.

1113.4 Existing facilities: alterations. For the purpose of complying with Section 5062 of the Existing Buildings Code, an area of primary function shall be as defined by applicable provisions of 49 CFR Part 37.43(c) or 28 CFR Part 36.403.

SECTION 1114A REFERENCED STANDARD

1114.1 Modification. ICC/ANSI A117.1, as referenced in Section 1101.2, shall be modified as indicated in the following:

1. *Revise Section 308.3.1 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:*

308.3.1 Unobstructed. Where a clear floor or ground space allows a parallel approach to an element and the side reach is unobstructed, the high side reach shall be 48 inches (1220 mm) maximum and the low side reach shall be 15 inches (380 mm) minimum above the floor or ground.

Exceptions:

1. Existing elements shall be permitted at 54 inches (1370 mm) maximum above the floor or ground.
2. Where fuel dispensers are installed on existing curbs, operable parts of fuel-dispensers shall be located 54 inches (1370 mm) maximum above the surface of the vehicular way.

Delete Section 602.2 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 and substitute the following:

602.2 Clear Floor or Ground Space. Drinking fountains shall have a clear floor or ground space complying with Section 305 positioned for a forward approach and centered on the unit. Knee and toe clearance complying with Section 306 shall be provided.

Exception: A parallel approach complying with Section 305 shall be permitted at drinking fountains for children's use where the spout is 30 inches (760 mm) maximum above the finish floor or ground and is 3 ½ inches (90 mm) maximum from the front edge of the unit, including bumpers.

Revise Section 602.5 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

602.5 Spout Location. Drinking fountains shall have the spout 15 inches (380 mm) minimum from the vertical support and 5 inches (125 mm) maximum from the front edge of the unit, including bumpers.

Revise Section 604.6 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

604.6 Flush Controls. Flush controls shall be hand-operated or automatic. Hand-operated flush controls shall comply with Section 309. Hand-operated flush controls shall be located on the

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open (wide) side of the water closet except in ambulatory accessible compartments complying with Section 604.8.2.

Add new Section 604.9 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

604.9 Water closets and toilet compartments for children's use. Water closets and toilet compartments for children's use shall comply with Section 604.9.

604.9.1 Location. The water closet shall be located with a wall or partition to the rear and to one side. The centerline of the water closet shall be 12 inches (305 mm) minimum to 18 inches (455 mm) maximum from the side wall or partition, except that the water closet shall be centered in the ambulatory accessible toilet compartment specified in Section 604.8.2.

604.9.2 Clear Floor Space. Clearance around a water closet shall comply with Section 604.3.

604.9.3 Height. The height of water closets shall be 11 inches (280 mm) minimum to 17 inches (430 mm) maximum measured to the top of the toilet seat. Seats shall not be sprung to return to a lifted position.

604.9.4 Grab Bars. Grab bars for water closets shall comply with Section 604.5.

604.9.5 Flush Controls. Flush controls shall be hand operated or automatic. Hand operated flush controls shall comply with Sections 309.2 and 309.4 and shall be installed 36 inches (915 mm) maximum above the finish floor.

604.9.6 Dispensers. Toilet paper dispensers shall comply with Section 309.4 and shall be 7 inches (180 mm) minimum and 9 inches (230 mm) maximum in front of the water closet. The outlet of the dispenser shall be 14 inches (355 mm) minimum and 19 inches (485 mm) maximum above the finish floor. There shall be a clearance of 1 ½ inches (38 mm) minimum below the grab bar. Dispensers shall not be of a type that control delivery or that do not allow continuous paper flow.

604.9.7 Toilet compartments. Toilet compartments shall comply with Section 604.8.

Revise Section 608.4 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

608.4 Seats. A folding or non-folding seat shall be provided in transfer-type shower compartments. Seats shall comply with Section 610.

Revise Section 608.6 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

608.6 Shower Unit. A shower spray unit shall be provided, with a hose 59 inches (1500 mm) long minimum, that can be used as a fixed shower head and as a hand-held shower. In transfer type showers, the controls and shower unit shall be on the control wall within 15 inches (380

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mm) maximum from the centerline of the seat toward the shower opening. In roll-in-type showers, shower spray units mounted on the back wall shall be 27 inches (685 mm) maximum from the side wall. If an adjustable-height shower head mounted on a vertical bar is used, the bar shall not obstruct the use of grab bars.

Add new Section 706.4 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

706.4 Receiver Jacks. Receivers required for use with an assistive listening system shall include a 1/8 inch (3 mm) standard mono jack. Where other jack types are used, adapters shall be provided to comply with this provision.

Add new Section 706.5 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

706.5 Receiver Hearing-Aid Compatibility. Receivers required to be hearing-aid compatible shall interface with telecoils in hearing aids through the provision of neck loops.

Add new Section 706.6 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

706.6 Sound Pressure Level. Assistive listening systems shall be capable of providing a sound pressure level of 110 dB minimum and 118 dB maximum with a dynamic range on the volume control of 50 dB.

Add new Section 706.7 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

706.7 Signal-to-Noise Ratio. The signal-to-noise ratio for internally generated noise in assistive listening systems shall be 18 dB minimum.

Add new Section 706.8 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

706.8 Peak Clipping Level. Peak clipping shall not exceed 18 dB of clipping relative to the peaks of speech.

Add new Section 707.5.3.1 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

707.5.3.1 User control. Audible instruction shall be capable of being repeated or interrupted. There shall be a volume control for the audible instruction function.

Exception: Speech output for any single function shall be permitted to be automatically interrupted when a transaction is selected.

Revise Section 707.5.6 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

707.5.6 Receipts and verification. Where a receipt is available and is requested, audible presentation of the transaction information provided on the receipt shall be provided.

Add new Section 708 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

708 Two-Way Communication Systems.

708.1 General. Two-way communication systems shall comply with Section 708.

708.2 Audible and Visual Indicators. The system shall provide both visual and audible signals.

708.3 Handsets. Handset cords, if provided, shall be 29 inches (735 mm) long minimum.

Exception: This requirement shall not apply to two-way communication systems provided at inaccessible entrances.

708.4 Residential Dwelling Unit Communication Systems. Communication systems between a residential dwelling unit and a site, building, or floor entrance shall comply with Section 708.4.

708.4.1 Common Use or Public Use System Interface. The common use or public use system interface shall include the capability of supporting voice and TTY communication with the residential dwelling unit interface.

708.4.2 Residential Dwelling Unit Interface. Residential dwelling unit system interface shall include a telephone jack capable of supporting voice and TTY communication with the common use or public use system interface.

Revise Section 802.1 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

802.1 General. Wheelchair spaces, companion seats, and designated aisle seats in auditorium and assembly areas with fixed seating shall comply with Section 802.

Revise Section 802.5 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

802.5 Approach. One side of the wheelchair space shall adjoin an accessible route. Access to any wheelchair space shall not be through another adjoining wheelchair space.

Revise Section 802.7 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

802.7 Companion Seats. At least one seat for a companion shall be provided for each required wheelchair space. The companion seat shall be provided directly adjacent to the long side of each required wheelchair space. Individuals seated in companion seats shall be seated in the same row and shoulder-to-shoulder with the wheelchair user seated in the adjacent space. Companion seats shall be equivalent in quality, size, comfort, and amenities to the seating in the immediate area.

Exception: Companion seats shall be permitted to be movable.

Delete Section 802.8 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 and substitute the following:

802.8 Lines of Sight. Lines of sight to the screen, performance area, or playing field for spectators in wheelchair spaces shall comply with Section 802.8.

802.8.1 Lines of sight over seated spectators. Where spectators are expected to remain seated during events, spectators in wheelchair spaces shall be afforded lines of sight complying with 802.8.1.

802.8.1.1 Lines of sight over heads. Where spectators are provided lines of sight over the heads of individuals seated in the first row in front of their seats, spectators seated in wheelchair spaces shall be afforded lines of sight over the heads of seated individuals in the first row in front of wheelchair spaces.

802.8.1.2 Lines of sight between heads. Where spectators are provided lines of sight over the shoulders and between the heads of individuals seated in the first row in front of their seats, spectators seated in wheelchair spaces shall be afforded lines of sight over the shoulders and between the heads of seated individuals in the first row in front of wheelchair spaces.

802.8.2 Lines of sight over standing spectators. Where spectators are expected to stand during events, spectators seated in wheelchair spaces shall be afforded lines of sight over the heads of standing individuals in the first row in front of wheelchair spaces.

Add new Section 802.9 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

802.9 Designated Aisle Seats. Designated aisle seats shall comply with 802.9.

802.9.1 Armrests. Where armrests are provided on seating in the immediate area, folding or retractable armrests shall be provided on the aisle side of designated aisle seats.

802.9.2. Identification. Each designated aisle seat shall be identified by a sign or marker.

Add new Section 805 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

805 Holding Cells and Housing Cells

805.1 General. Holding cells and housing cells shall comply with Section 805.

805.2 Features for People Using Wheelchairs or Other Mobility Aids. Cells required to have features for people using wheelchairs or other mobility aids shall comply with Section 805.2.

805.2.1 Wheelchair Turning Space. Wheelchair turning space complying with Section 304 shall be provided within the cell.

805.2.2 Benches. Where benches are provided, at least one bench shall comply with Section 903.

805.2.3 Beds. Where beds are provided, clear floor space complying with Section 305 shall be provided on at least one side of the bed. The clear floor space shall be positioned for parallel approach to the side of the bed.

805.2.4 Toilet and Bathing Facilities. Toilet facilities or bathing facilities that are provided as part of a cell shall comply with Section 603. Where provided, not less than one water closet, one lavatory, and one bathtub or shower shall comply with the applicable provisions of Sections 603 through 610.

805.3. Communication Features. Cells required to have communication features shall comply with Section 805.3.

805.3.1 Alarms. Where audible emergency alarm systems are provided to serve the occupants of cells, visual alarms complying with Section 702 shall be provided.

Exception: This requirement shall not apply where inmates or detainees are not allowed independent means of egress.

805.3.2 Telephones. Telephones, where provided within cells, shall have volume controls complying with Section 704.3.

Add new Section 806 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

General. Courtrooms shall comply with Section 806.

806.2 Turning Space. Where provided, areas that are raised or depressed and accessed by ramps or platform lifts with entry ramps shall provide unobstructed turning space complying with 304.

806.3 Clear Floor Space. Each jury box and witness stand shall have, within its defined area, clear floor space complying with Section 305.

Exception: In alterations, wheelchair spaces are not required to be located within the defined area of raised jury boxes or witness stands and shall be permitted to be located outside these spaces where ramp or platform lift access poses a hazard by restricting or projecting into a means of egress required by the appropriate administrative authority.

806.4 Judges' Benches and Courtroom Stations. Judges' benches, clerks' stations, bailiffs' stations, deputy clerks' stations, court reporters' stations and litigants' and counsel stations shall comply with Section 902.

Revise Section 902 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

SECTION 902 DINING SURFACES AND WORK SURFACES

Revise Section 902.1 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

902.1 General. Accessible dining surfaces and work surfaces shall comply with Section 902.

Exception: Dining surfaces and work surfaces for children's use shall be permitted to comply with 902.5.

Revise Section 902.2 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

902.2 Clear Floor or Ground Space. Clear floor or ground space complying with Section 305 positioned for a forward approach shall be provided. Knee and toe clearance complying with Section 306 shall be provided.

Add new Section 902.5 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

902.5 Dining Surfaces and Work Surfaces for Children's Use. Accessible dining surfaces and work surfaces for children's use shall comply with Section 902.5.

Exception: Dining surfaces and work surfaces that are used primarily by children 5 years and younger shall not be required to comply with Section 902.5 where a clear floor or ground space complying with Section 305 positioned for a parallel approach is provided.

902.5.1 Clear Floor or Ground Space. A clear floor space complying with Section 305 positioned for a forward approach shall be provided. Knee and toe clearance complying with Section 306 shall be provided, except that knee clearance 24 inches (610 mm) minimum above the finish floor or ground shall be permitted.

902.5.2 Height. The tops of tables and counters shall be 26 inches (660 mm) minimum and 30 inches (760 mm) maximum above the finish floor or ground.

Add new Section 904.5 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

904.5 Self-Service Shelves and Dispensing Devices. Self-service shelves and dispensing devices for tableware, dishware, condiments, food, and beverages shall comply with Section 308.

Add new Section 904.6 of ICC/ANSI A117.1 to read as follows:

904.6 Security Glazing. Where counters or teller windows have security glazing to separate personnel from the public, a method to facilitate voice communication shall be provided. Telephone handset devices, if provided, shall comply with 704.3.

CHAPTER 12A INTERIOR ENVIRONMENT**SECTION 1204A LIGHTING**

Revise Section 1204.4 to read as follows:

1204.4 Stairway Illumination. Stairways within dwelling units and exterior stairways serving a dwelling unit shall have an illumination level on tread runs of not less than 1 foot-candle (11 lux). Stairs in other occupancies shall be governed by Chapter 10.

CHAPTER 16A STRUCTURAL DESIGN

SECTION 1604A GENERAL DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

Add new Section 1604.1.1 to read as follows:

1604.1.1 Buildings erected before July 1, 1925: In the alteration of buildings erected before July 1, 1925, the code official is authorized to allow a maximum reduction of 30 percent of the specified minimum live loads in Table 1607.1, with a minimum live load for other than residential buildings of 40 psf (1.92 kN/m²), provided official live load placards are posted showing this reduced live load.

SECTION 1607A LIVE LOADS

Revise Number 16 on Table 1607.1 to read as follows:

**TABLE 1607.1
MINIMUM UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LIVE LOADS AND MINIMUM
CONCENTRATED LIVE LOADS⁹**

Occupancy	Uniform (psf)	Conce ntrated (lbs.)
16. Garages (Passenger cars only)	50 Note a	
Top deck of exposed garage	50, plus snow loading in accordance with Section 1608	
Trucks and buses	See Section 1607.6	

Add new Section 1607.14 to read as follows:

1607.14 Powered maintenance platforms. The structural supports for powered maintenance platforms shall be designed in accordance with the requirements in Subpart F, §1910.66 of Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standards listed in Chapter 35.

SECTION 1608A SNOW LOADS

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Add new Section 1608.1.1 to read as follows:

1608.1.1 Snow load for the District of Columbia. The basic snow load for the District of Columbia, as shown in Figure 1608.2 shall be a minimum of 25 psf (1.20 kN/m²) plus drifting or 30 psf (1.44 kN/m²) equivalent uniform load, whichever is greater.

SECTION 1609A WIND LOADS

Revise Section 1609.1.2 to read as follows:

1609.1.2 Minimum wind loads. The wind loads used in the design of the main wind-force-resisting system shall not be less than 20 pounds per square foot (0.958 kN/m²) multiplied by the area of the building or structure projected on a vertical plane normal to the wind direction. In the calculation of design wind loads for components and cladding for buildings, the algebraic sum of the pressures acting on opposite faces shall be taken into account. The design pressure for components and cladding of buildings shall not be less than 20 pounds per square foot (0.958 kN/m²) acting in either direction normal to the surface. The design force for open buildings and other structures shall not be less than 20 pounds per square foot (0.958 kN/m²) multiplied by the area, A_f .

Exception: The wind pressures on tanks, signs, chimneys, stacks, cooling towers, dish antennas, and similar exposed surfaces and their supporting frames shall be not less than 30 psf (1.436 kN/m²) of projected area.

CHAPTER 18A SOILS AND FOUNDATION**SECTION 1805 FOOTINGS AND FOUNDATIONS**

Revise Section 1805.2.1 to read as follows:

1805.2.1 Frost Protection. Except where erected upon solid rock or otherwise protected from frost, foundation walls, piers and other permanent supports of all buildings and structures larger than 100 square feet (9.25 m²) in *area* or 10 feet (3048 mm) in *height* shall extend to a minimum depth below adjacent grade of 2 feet, six inches (762 mm).

CHAPTER 24A GLASS AND GLAZING**SECTION 2406A SAFETY GLAZING**

Revise exceptions 1 and 2 under Section 2406.2 (6) to read as follows:

2406.2 Hazardous locations. The following shall be considered specific hazardous locations requiring safety-glazing materials:

Exceptions:

1. Panels where there is an intervening wall or other permanent barrier between the door and glazing.
2. Glazing in an individual fixed or operable panel adjacent to a door where the nearest exposed edge of the glazing is within a 24-inch (610 mm) arc of either vertical edge of the door in a closed position and where the bottom exposed edge of the glazing is less than 60 inches (1524 mm) above the walking surface.
3. Glazing in walls perpendicular to the plane of the door in a closed position, other than the walls towards which the door swings when opened, in one- and two-family dwellings or within dwelling units in Use Group R-2.

CHAPTER 30A ELEVATOR AND CONVEYING SYSTEMS**SECTION 3001A GENERAL**

Add new Section 3001.5 to read as follows:

3001.5 Shop Drawings: Shop drawings shall be submitted with the application to the code official bearing the signature and seal of the designer, manufacturer, or contractor who designed the system. For new construction, the include shop drawing stamp from the office of the architect/engineer of record with action noted before the work is begun. Shop drawings shall locate and specify:

1. Capacity and car speed of the installation;
2. Top and bottom overtravel;
3. Weight of the complete car;
4. Car-controlling device or mechanism;
5. Electrical protective devices, including automatic shutdown devices;
6. Existing and proposed types of fire suppression systems;
7. Type of limit switches or other terminal stopping devices;
8. Diameter of the sheaves;
9. Size, number and material of all wire ropes;
10. Type of over-speed governor and safety;
11. Overhead and pit clearances;
12. Type of buffers and manufacturer's number;
13. Thickness and quality of the machine slab or machine room floor;
14. Weight of the machine if mounted overhead;
15. Material, quality and spans of overhead supporting members;
16. Complete load reactions on building structural supporting members;

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17. Construction of the machine room and hoistway enclosure including all HVAC equipment, hoistway landings with landing doors, where any or all parts are used, are to be repaired, or that may be affected;
18. Access provided for inspection and maintenance;
19. Location and dimensions of mazes, gates, guards, screens, and railings to control access and egress to manlifts;
20. Elevator electrical characteristics and configuration;
21. Construction requirements and temporary hoistway structural requirements, excluding construction means, methods, and techniques.

CHAPTER 31A SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

SECTION 3105A AWNINGS AND CANOPIES

Delete Sections 3105.1 through 3105.3 in their entirety and substitute the following:

3105.1.General. Awnings or canopies shall comply with the requirements of this Section, other applicable Sections of this code, the DC Zoning Regulations, the DC Public Space Manual and other applicable requirements.

3105.1.1 Permit. A permit shall be obtained from the Code Official for the erection, repair, or replacement of any fixed awning, canopy, or hood and for any retractable awning located at the first story level and extending over the public street or over any portion of a court or yard beside a building serving as a passage from a required exit or exit discharge to a public street.

Exemption. A permit shall not be required for the erection, repair or replacement of fixed or retractable awnings projecting 40 inches (1016 mm) or less installed on buildings under the jurisdiction of the IRC, or for retractable awnings installed above the first story or where the awning does not project over the public street or over any court or yard serving as a passage from a required exit to a public street.

3105.2 Design and construction. Awnings and canopies shall be designed and constructed to withstand wind or other lateral loads and live loads as required by Chapter 16 with due allowance for shape, open construction and similar features that relieve the pressures or loads. Structural members shall be protected to prevent deterioration. Awnings shall have frames of noncombustible material and shall be either fixed or retractable. Canopies shall have rigid frames of noncombustible material. Coverings shall be flame resistant in accordance with NFPA 701 or shall have a flame spread rating not greater than 25 when tested in accordance with ASTM E 84.

3105.3 Fixed or permanent awnings. The minimum clearance from the sidewalk or any other space used by the public to the lowest part of any fixed or permanent awning shall be 8 feet (2438 mm). Fixed or permanent awnings installed above the first story shall not project more than 5 feet (1524 mm).

Exception. Above doors in buildings under the jurisdiction of the IRC, the minimum clearance from the sidewalk or any other space used by the public to the lowest part of the awning shall be 6 feet 8 inches (2032 mm).

3105.4 Retractable awnings. The minimum clearance from the sidewalk or any other space used by the public to the lowest part of any retractable awning shall be 8 feet (2438 mm). Retractable awnings shall be securely fastened to the building and shall not extend closer than 12 inches (305 mm) from the curb line. They shall be equipped with a mechanism or device for raising and holding the awning in a retracted or closed position against the face of the building.

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Exception. Above doors in buildings under the jurisdiction of the IRC, the minimum clearance from the sidewalk or any other space used by the public to the lowest part of the awning shall be 6 feet 8 inches (2032 mm).

3105.5 Canopies. Canopies shall be attached to the building at the inner end and supported at the outer end by not more than two stanchions with braces anchored in an approved manner and shall not extend closer than 2 feet (610 mm) from the curb line. The minimum clearance from the sidewalk or any other space used by the public to the lowest part of any canopy shall be 8 feet (2438 mm). The width of canopies shall not exceed 8 feet (2438 m).

3105.6 Lettering on awnings or canopies. Lettering on awnings or canopies shall comply with Section 3107.

SECTION 3106A MARQUEES

Delete Section 3106.2 in its entirety and renumber the remaining Sections in consecutive order.

SECTION 3107A SIGNS

Delete Section 3107.1 in its entirety and substitute the following:

3107.1 General. The provisions of Section 3107 shall govern the erection, hanging, placing, painting, display, and maintenance of outdoor display signs and other forms of exterior advertising.

3107.2 Definitions. The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this Section and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

BILLBOARD. This term includes billboards and poster panels.

3107.3 Permits. No sign exceeding 1 square foot (0.093 m²) in area, unless exempted by Section 3107.3.5, shall be erected, made a part of a building, painted, repainted, placed, replaced, hung, rehung, altered, repaired structurally, changed in color, made to flash, or maintained, without a permit issued in accordance with this Section by the code official.

3107.3.1 Application for permit. Application for sign permit shall be made upon a form provided by the code official. Application for a permit to install a sign shall be accompanied by drawings in triplicate, drawn to scale showing details of construction dimensions, lettering, and method of attachment of the sign.

3107.3.2 Dimensions of the premises. The application shall contain a statement of width of premises or width and height of the building, or any other dimensions deemed necessary by the code official to determine the allowable area of the sign.

3107.3.3 Materials specifications. The applicant shall furnish specifications or other information covering type and thickness of materials for the sign and its support.

3107.3.4 Permits for electrical signs. Any sign on or in which lighting of any type is to be used, or which will be illuminated by artificial means, or which will contain other electrical features, shall be designed in accordance with Chapter 27 of this code and require the issuance of a separate electrical installation permit.

3107.3.5 Exemptions from permit. The types of signs and advertising specified in 3107.3.5.1 through 3107.3.5.8 do not require permits unless located within areas requiring review by the Commission of Fine Arts.

3107.3.5.1 Theater bills and changeable copy signs. The changing of bills of acts and features of theaters on established frames at such theaters, and the changing of the copy of any authorized changeable copy sign, the wording of which does not conflict with the provisions of this Section.

3107.3.5.2 Billboard advertising. Changing of matter advertised on authorized billboards and poster panels included in the official list of billboards.

3107.3.5.3 Signs within a building. Any sign located within a building, not attached directly or painted on a window, and not located within 18 inches (457 mm) of a window or entrance.

3107.3.5.4 Signs on windows. Signs upon a show window, or upon any other window abutting on, or overlooking a street or public way, within the Commercial and Industrial Districts as fixed by the current Zoning Regulations, which signs advertise only the name of the occupant of the building, office, or store, the business conducted or products sold therein, when the aggregate area of those signs does not exceed 20 percent of the area of the window upon which they are displayed.

3107.3.5.5 Small unilluminated signs. Unilluminated signs located outside of and unattached to buildings in areas zoned Commercial or Industrial, otherwise complying with Section 3107.6, when such signs do not exceed three (3) per record lot, when each such sign does not exceed 3 feet (914 mm) in its maximum dimension and 4 square feet (0.371 m²) in area, and when each of such signs is located more than 20 feet (6096 mm) back of the building line or of the building restriction line. Such signs shall be allowed in addition to those for which a permit is required under this Section.

3107.3.5.6 Show cards. No more than two (2) show cards per show window not to exceed 14 by 22 inches (356 mm by 559 mm), advertising matters of current public interest, which may be placed or displayed in show windows of occupied business establishments for a period not to exceed 30 days.

3107.3.5.7 Real estate signs. Real estate signs not exceeding 6 square feet (0.557 m²) in area.

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3107.3.5.8 Vacated property. One sign not to exceed 6 square feet (0.557 m²) in area, giving the name, business, and new address of the former occupant, is permitted to be displayed for not more than 60 days.

3107.4 Commission of Fine Arts submission. The provisions of Sections 3107.4.1 through 3107.4.2.9 shall govern applications to be made to the Commission of Fine Arts.

3107.4.1 Shipstead-Luce Act area submissions. All applications to erect signs on buildings or land within the area controlled by Public Law 231, 71st Congress, known as the Shipstead-Luce Act, shall be submitted to the Commission of Fine Arts for review before a permit is issued. In addition to compliance with all other applicable provisions of this Section, signs within the meaning of the Shipstead-Luce Act shall comply with the requirements of Sections 3107.4.1.1 through 3107.4.1.9.

3107.4.1.1 Billboards, roof signs, projecting and revolving signs. Billboards as described in Section 3107.7.6, roof signs as described in section 3107.7.2, projecting signs as described in section 3107.7.1, and revolving signs as described in Section 3107.7.11, shall not be permitted.

3107.4.1.2 Permissible signs. Single-faced signs, only, shall be permitted upon the exterior walls of buildings, and all signs shall be stationary. The maximum sign projection allowed shall not exceed 12 inches (305 mm) beyond the building or building restriction lines.

3107.4.1.3 Illuminated signs. Illuminated signs shall consist of freestanding, back-lighted, **opaque letters, illuminated by steady light.** **Exposed sources of sign illumination shall be prohibited.**

3107.4.1.4 Sign dimensions. The aggregate area of all signs advertising any one business on a building or premises shall be limited to 25 sq. feet (2.322 m²) per street frontage.

3107.4.1.5 Sign copy. Copy on signs shall be limited to the address or name of the establishment, or both, and the type of business conducted, as indicated by the Certificate of Occupancy issued for the premises involved.

3107.4.1.6 Number of colors on sign. No more than two colors, nor more than one color in addition to black or white, shall be used for any sign, including the illumination of such sign.

3107.4.1.7 Signs on awnings. Signs on awnings shall be limited to the valance and shall otherwise comply with other applicable requirements of this Section.

3107.4.1.8 Show window lettering. Lettering of signs limited to a show window, or any other window, abutting on or overlooking a street or public way, shall

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cover an aggregate area of not more than 25 square feet (2.322 m²), per business, nor more than 20 percent of the area of the window, whichever is less.

3107.4.1.9 Nonconforming signs. Despite the limitations imposed by the requirements above, when the Commission of Fine Arts finds that the sign or the conditions surrounding it justify granting a variance from or exception to any of the requirements of Sections 3107.4.1.1 through 3107.4.1.8 and the Commission finds that granting such a variance or exception will not impair the intent and purpose of this Section or of the Shipstead-Luce Act, the code official is authorized to approve an application to erect a sign not conforming to the said requirements.

3107.4.2 Old Georgetown Act area submissions. All applications to erect signs on buildings or land within the area controlled by Public Law 808, 81st Congress, known as the Old Georgetown Act, shall be submitted to the Commission of Fine Arts for review before a permit is issued. In addition to compliance with all other applicable provisions of this Section, signs within the meaning of the Old Georgetown Act shall comply with the requirements of Sections 3107.4.2.1 through 3107.4.2.9.

3107.4.2.1 Billboards, roof signs, projecting and revolving signs. Billboards as described in Section 3107.7.6, roof signs as described in Section 3107.7.2, and revolving signs as described in Section 3107.7.11, shall not be permitted. Projecting signs as described in Section 3107.7.1, shall be allowed upon favorable recommendation by the Commission of Fine Arts, which shall include the maximum allowable projection of the sign.

3107.4.2.2 General restriction. All signs shall be stationary.

3107.4.2.3 Illuminated signs. Illuminated signs shall consist of freestanding, back-lighted, opaque letters, illuminated by steady light. Exposed sources of sign illumination shall be prohibited.

3107.4.2.4 Sign dimensions. The aggregate area of all signs advertising any one business on a building or premises shall be limited to 25 square feet (2.322 m²) per street frontage.

3107.4.2.5 Sign copy. Copy on signs shall be limited to the address or name of the establishment, or both, and the type of business conducted, as indicated by the Certificate of Occupancy issued for the premises involved.

3107.4.2.6 Number of colors on sign. No more than two colors, nor more than one color in addition to black or white, shall be used for any sign, including the illumination of such sign.

3107.4.2.7 Signs on awnings. Signs on awnings shall be limited to the valance and shall otherwise comply with other applicable requirements of this Section.

3107.4.2.8 Show window lettering. Lettering of signs limited to a show window, or any other window, abutting on or overlooking a street or public way, shall cover an aggregate area or not more than 25 square feet (2.322 m²), per business, nor more than 20 percent of the area of the window, whichever is less.

3107.4.2.9 Nonconforming signs. Despite the limitations imposed by the requirements above, when the Commission of Fine Arts finds that the sign or the conditions surrounding it justify granting a variance from or exception to any of the requirements of Sections 3107.4.2.1 through 3107.4.2.8 and the Commission finds that granting such a variance or exception will not impair the intent and purpose of this Section or of the Old Georgetown Act, the code official is authorized to approve an application to erect a sign not conforming to the said requirements.

3107.5 Marking of signs. Every sign for which a permit is required shall be marked with letters not less than 1 inch (25.4 mm) in height, giving the permit number and date of permit issuance.

3107.6 Character of Advertising. No sign of any character shall be erected, hung, rehung, placed, replaced, painted, repainted, repaired, or maintained upon any structure or upon any wall or roof, or upon any premises, unless such sign advertises a bona fide business conducted on the premises, and for which business a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued. The change of sign copy on any sign other than an authorized "Changeable Copy Sign" shall require issuance of a new sign permit.

Exceptions:

1. Signs covered by Sections 3107.3.5.1 through 3107.3.5.3, 3107.3.5.5 through 3107.3.5.8, billboards as described in Sections 3107.7.6 through 3107.7.6.7.15, and temporary signs as described in Section 3107.8.
2. When buildings are under construction or alteration for a specific use, the code official is authorized to issue a permit for the construction or erection of a sign complying with these regulations, if such building or alteration has progressed to the satisfaction of the code official for its projected use, and application for Certificate of Occupancy has been filed.

3107.6.1 Area use restriction. Not more than 50 percent of the area of any sign shall be used to advertise products or commodities actually sold on the premises.

Exception: Devices indicating only time, temperature, or both, shall not be required to comply with this restriction.

3107.6.2 Removal of signs. Any sign erected, hung, rehung, placed, replaced, painted, repainted, or maintained which no longer advertises a bona fide business conducted upon the premises as specified in Section 3107.6, or is not an authorized billboard or poster panel, shall be taken down, removed, or obliterated within five (5) days upon notification

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by the code official or such longer time as may be designated by the code official, and failure to so comply on the part of the owner, occupant, agent, or person having beneficial use of any building or premises upon which such sign may be found, shall subject the owner to the fines provided for in the Act of March 3, 1931, 46 Stat. 1486, as amended, D.C. Code Section 1-327 (1981 ed.), or to civil fines, penalties, and fees pursuant to titles I-III of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Civil Infractions Act of 1985, D.C. Law 6-42, Section 457.

3107.6.3 Miscellaneous signs. The tacking, painting, pasting, or otherwise affixing of signs or posters of a miscellaneous character, visible from the street or public way, on the walls of buildings, on barns, sheds, trees, fences, or other structures, except as otherwise provided in this Section, is prohibited.

3107.6.4 Street clocks. No lettering or advertising matter shall be placed on any street clock or part thereof, except that the name of the manufacturer of the clock is permitted to be displayed on the dial in small letters not to exceed one-twentieth of the height of the dial.

3107.6.5 Signs on vacant property. Display of any sign, poster, or other advertising medium on or in any part of a vacant building, store, or premises, visible from the street or public way, other than real estate signs, complying with Section 3107.16 and authorized billboards or poster panels, is prohibited.

Exception: One sign not more than 6 square feet (0.557 m²) in area giving the name, business, and new address of the former occupant is permitted to be displayed for not more than 60 days on the vacated premises.

3107.6.6 Directional signs. Directional signs shall not be allowed except as permitted under Section 3107.7.6 for billboards or poster panels, under Section 3107.3.5.6 for show cards, under Section 3107.6.5 on vacated property, and their temporary display for the purpose of indicating the availability of real estate for sale or lease and the holding of an open house at a particular property.

Exception: Signs not more than 6 square feet (.557 m²) in area indicating the location of parking facilities for patrons shall be allowed under permit.

3107.6.7 Special permits. The code official is authorized to issue a permit to erect and maintain a sign not conforming with this Section if the code official finds that such sign or conditions surrounding such sign are unusual in character, of a type infrequently encountered, and that approval of the permit will aid in the promotion of an activity of an exclusively civic nature or will provide an equitable application of this Section basically in keeping with its purpose and intent. The code official in each such special permit is authorized to impose such terms and conditions as he or she may deem necessary. Any sign erected under a special permit shall be removed at or prior to the time specified in the permit for the removal of such sign. If no time is specified, then such sign shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after notice from the code official to do so.

3107.6.7.1 Temporary decorations for buildings. The code official is authorized to approve permits for temporary decorations on the fronts of buildings or on legal projections from buildings in the spirit of a holiday period, inauguration, or similar occasion. Temporary decorations are permitted to include greetings, symbols, pictures, and other markings appropriate to the occasion. Any structures, framework, and fastenings shall be subject to the usual requirements. Authority is not granted in this Section to approve applications for decorations on, over, along, or across any street or highway, except as provided for in Section 3107.6.7.2. Permits for temporary decorations shall be issued for periods not exceeding 40 days.

3107.6.7.2 Temporary decorations for streets. Temporary street decorations shall not be installed on, over, along or across any street or highway until a special permit has been issued by the Director of Public Works. Street decorations are a privilege, not a right, and the Director of Public Works is authorized to deny the corresponding permit or impose such conditions as may be deemed necessary, in the interest of public safety or welfare. Street decorations shall comply with the following conditions:

1. Street decorations shall not contain any advertising or any form of explicit or implicit reference to commercial businesses or products.
2. Street decorations shall be substantially related to an event or seasonal festivity of a civic or religious nature, not occurring more frequently than once a year.
3. Street decorations shall be stationary and shall be substantially supported structurally.
4. Street decorations containing electrical wiring or systems shall comply with Chapter 27.

3107.7 Types of signs. The provisions of this Section shall apply to types of signs and requirements for all signs.

3107.7.1 Projecting signs. Signs projecting from or beyond a building line or building restriction line shall be allowed in Commercial and Industrial Districts, as defined in the current Zoning Regulations, when supported on iron or steel brackets and stayed securely, or affixed in an approved equivalent manner, subject to the limitations imposed by Sections 3107.7.1.1 through 3107.7.1.3.

3107.7.1.1 Sign projection restrictions. No sign shall project more than 42 inches (1067 mm) beyond the building line or building restriction line, on the street frontage of a building. Hooded lights are permitted to be placed on projecting signs solely to illuminate such signs, but the hoods of such lights shall

not project more than an additional 6 inches (152 mm). No part of projecting signs shall have less than 8 feet (2438 mm) clearance above the surface of a sidewalk or any other space used by the public, nor less than 15 feet (4572 mm) clearance above the surface of any driveway in public space. No portion of a sign shall extend over public space closer than 18 inches (457 mm) from the curb lane. No sign, including illumination, shall project more than 6 inches (152 mm) beyond the building line, in alleys.

3107.7.1.2 Double-faced projecting signs. Double-faced projecting signs on the front of buildings shall not extend above the roof or parapet a distance of more than one-third of the height of the sign nor more than 4 feet (1219 mm). Such signs are permitted to return over the roof or parapet not over 18 inches (457 mm) back of the face of the wall.

3107.7.1.3 Rigid attachment of signs. No sign projecting over public space shall be so erected or hung as to swing, sway, or revolve in any manner, except banners or flags. The supports for banners and flags shall also be installed so as to be rigid.

3107.7.2 Roof signs. Roof signs shall not be erected above the height limit established by the Zoning Regulations. The base of a roof sign shall not be less than 6 inches (152 mm) nor more than 18 inches (457 mm) above the roof parapet wall on which it is erected or affixed. The height of a roof sign shall not exceed half of the width of its base. In no case shall such sign exceed the maximum area fixed by Section 3107.10.

3107.7.2.1 Attachments. All roof signs shall be securely braced and fastened with lag screw expansion bolts, anchor plates, or by another approved structurally sound method, to prevent accidents in high winds. Roof signs shall not be erected or hung so as to swing, sway, or revolve in any manner. Complete structural plans indicating roof construction, method of attachment, and sign framing shall be provided with all applications for roof sign permits.

3107.7.2.2 Height limit. Lettering, advertising, or display of any character, other than religious symbols, is prohibited above the limit of height established by the current Zoning Regulations, on spires, towers, domes, minarets, pinnacles, penthouses, ventilation shafts, chimneys, smokestacks, water storage tanks, cooling towers, or on any other support media extending above said height limit.

3107.7.3 Signs supported by projecting construction. Signs are permitted to be supported by canopies, marquees, porticos, and roofs of show windows constructed so as to safely support the weight of the sign or signs, in addition to the required snow and wind loads. Such signs shall not extend more than 42 inches (1067 mm) beyond the building line, except as provided for in Section 3107.7.1.

3107.7.4 Signs on awnings or similar projections. One horizontal line of letters, each letter not to exceed 12 inches (305 mm) in height, is permitted to be placed or painted on the vertical faces of valances, or on top of or hung from a canopy, marquee, portico, or awning. Where the line of letters is placed on top or hung from a marquee, canopy, portico, or awning, it shall be constructed in the so-called "skeleton" design, composed of separate letters without background or border. The line of letters shall designate only the street number of the premises and the name of the occupant or building or trade name. Such signs shall also be permitted in Residential Districts and Special Purpose Districts for apartment houses and hotels only.

3107.7.5 Banner signs and flags. No banner sign or flag used for advertising purposes shall be erected, hung, attached, or affixed to any pole, staff, or other appurtenance, unless a permit for it has been issued, nor shall such banner, sign, flag extend over public space more than 42 inches (1067 mm), or be hung or maintained less than 18 feet (5486 mm) above the parking or sidewalk or 25 feet (7620 mm) above the roadway.

3107.7.5.1 Barber poles. Barber poles on public space attached to a building shall not project more than 42 inches (1067 mm) from the building line and provide not less than 8 feet (2438 mm) clearance above the sidewalk or existing ground level.

3107.7.6 Billboards. The provisions of this Section shall govern billboards in the District of Columbia.

3107.7.6.1 Authorized list. Only those billboards which were in existence as of January 1, 1972, that are contained in the "Authorized List of Billboards, Three-sheet Poster Boards, and Wall Signs," dated November 30, 1931, as amended through December 31, 1971, are authorized to remain in place, subject to the conditions in Section 3107.7.6.1 through 3107.7.6.7.15.

3107.7.6.2 Existing authorized billboards. Any existing billboard contained in the authorized list referred in Section 3107.7.6.1 shall be permitted to be maintained, repaired, altered, or rebuilt under authority of permits issued by the code official. No change in size or location is authorized and the maintenance and repair requirements of Section 3107.7.6.5 shall be met.

3107.7.6.3 Unauthorized billboards. Billboards which were not included in the authorized list referred in Section 3107.7.6.1 are without authority, unless erected in accordance with Sections 3107.7.6.6 through 3107.7.6.7. All unauthorized billboards shall be removed by the owner. No such billboard shall be replaced in any form or in any location, unless a new permit is issued in accordance with Sections 3107.7.6.6 through 3107.7.6.7.

3107.7.6.4 Razed billboards. Any billboard which is included in the authorized list referred in Section 3107.7.6.1 and which is razed, demolished, or obliterated,

shall be stricken from the authorized list. No such billboard shall be replaced in any form or in any location, unless a new permit is issued in accordance with Sections 3107.7.6.6 through 3107.7.6.7.

3107.7.6.5 Maintenance and repair. Whenever the code official finds that any billboard on the authorized list referred in Section 3107.7.6.1, or erected under a permit issued in accordance with Sections 3107.7.6.6 through 3107.7.6.7, is not maintained in good repair and has not deteriorated more than 50 percent of its replacement value, the code official shall notify the owner thereof and order him to repair the billboard within a specified time but not less than 10 calendar days. If the code official finds that the billboard has deteriorated more than 50 percent of its replacement value, or is not repaired within the time specified in the repair notice, the code official shall notify the owner of the billboard and the owner of the real property on which said billboard is located to remove the billboard from the property within a specified time. All billboards ordered to be removed shall be stricken from the authorized list when the time limit set in the removal notice ends. Failure to comply shall subject said owners, upon conviction or adjudication, to the fines provided for in the Act of March, 1931, 46 Stat. 1486, as amended, D.C. Code 1-327 (1981 ed.), or to civil fines, penalties, and fees pursuant to titles I-III of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Civil Infractions Act of 1985, D.C. law 6-42, Section 457.

3107.7.6.6 Permit required. No billboards shall be erected, placed, maintained or relocated within the District of Columbia unless an application for permit is approved by the code official.

1. Permit applications. Permit applications shall be made upon forms provided by the code official. Permit applications shall be accompanied by four (4) sets of drawings showing details of construction, foundations, lighting, location of the billboard in relation to property lines, and relation to any other billboards located within 500 feet (152 400 mm) of the billboard for which the application is submitted. A separate electrical permit is required for billboards containing any electrical features.
2. Permit fee. The permit application must be accompanied by a fee pursuant to Section 108.
3. Zoning compliance. Billboard permit applications shall comply with the current Zoning Regulations. However, where a billboard is to be located in an area, which, in the judgement of the Zoning Administrator is not permitted, the Zoning Administrator shall notify the applicant in writing that the application for permit is denied for failure to conform to the Zoning Regulations, indicating the applicable provisions of the Zoning Regulations. The Director's decision may be appealed to the Board of Zoning Adjustment as prescribed by its rules.

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4. Shipstead-Luce Act and Old Georgetown Act areas. Where a billboard is to be located in an area covered either by the Shipstead-Luce Act, Act of May 16, 1930, 46 Stat. 366, as amended by the Act of July 31, 1939, 53 Stat. 1144, D.C. Code Section 5-410 (1981 ed.), or by the Old Georgetown Act, Act of September 22, 1950, 64 Stat. 903, ch. 984, D.C. Code Sections 5-1101 to 5-1107, the application and supporting material shall be transmitted to the Commission of Fine Arts for review under Section 5-410 and 5-1102 of the D.C. Code (1981 ed.).
5. Permit denial. If the code official denies a billboard permit, the basis for the denial shall be stated in writing, including references to the statutory or regulatory provisions that would be violated if the permit were granted. The code official shall notify the applicant in writing with the reasons for denial of the permit.

3107.7.6.7 Design standards. Billboard permit applications shall comply with items 1 through 15 below, before a permit shall be issued:

1. The billboard shall not contain any moving parts, except where such moving parts are used to convey public service information such as time, temperature, date, weather, or similar information.
2. The billboard shall not contain flashing, intermittent, moving, or neon lights; the billboard shall not be lighted so as to permit beams of light to be directed at any portion of a public right-of-way, which beams of light are of such intensity or brilliance as to cause glare or impair the vision of any driver, or otherwise interfere with the driver's operation of a motor vehicle; the billboard shall not obstruct or undermine the traffic information systems of signs and lights.
3. The billboard shall not be located on lots of less than 50 feet (15 240 mm) of street frontage, nor shall billboard length be more than half the street frontage of the lot where it is proposed to be erected.
4. The billboard shall not be located within 200 feet (60 960 mm) of an existing billboard.
5. When located along an Interstate Highway or a controlled Access Primary Roadway within the Federal Aid Primary Urban Extension System as designated by the D.C. Department of Public Works, the billboard shall not be located less than 500 feet (152 400 mm) from an existing billboard.
6. The billboard shall not be located on lots within 200 feet (60 960 mm) of any Residential District, as defined by the current Zoning Regulations.

7. The billboard shall not be located within 200 feet (60 960 mm) of any park or building owned or under the control of the government of the District of Columbia or of the Federal Government.
8. The billboard shall not be located within 300 feet (91 440 mm) of any Historic Landmark or in or within 300 feet (91 440 mm) of any Historic District as listed in the District of Columbia Inventory of Historic Sites.
9. The billboard shall not be visible from the nearest right-of-way line of any Interstate Highway or Federal Aid Primary Urban Extension System route, as designated by the D.C. Department of Public Works, or on any surface or elevated right-of-way of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority system, except as authorized under item 10 of this Section.
10. Where permitted by the current Zoning Regulations, billboards shall be permitted that do not comply with item 9 of this Section, provided such billboards are located more than 200 feet (60 960 mm) from any of the right-of-ways mentioned therein.
11. The billboards shall be set back from each property line of the lot where it is proposed to be erected, a distance of at least one (1) foot (305 mm) for each foot (305 mm) of overall billboard height.
12. The billboard shall not have a net advertising area in excess of 300 square feet (27.9 m²) for each sign face. For the purpose of this Section, net area shall be considered exclusive of any border, trim, ornamental base, apron supports or other structural members.
13. The billboard shall be designed and installed so as to maintain a minimum clearance of 8 feet (2438 mm) from the ground, as measured from the adjacent grade.
14. The billboard shall not exceed 25 feet (7620 mm) in overall height as measured from grade at the center line of the billboard to the level of the highest point of the billboard.
15. The billboard shall conform to Section 3107.11.

3107.7.7 Signs on side walls. Where no sign or signs exist on the side wall of any building or structure, no permit shall be issued for the erection, hanging or painting of a sign or signs on such side wall, except as provided in Sections 3107.7.7.1 and 3107.7.7.2.

3107.7.7.1 Corner buildings and alleys entrances. The code official shall be authorized to issue permits to erect, hang, or paint a sign or signs on those side walls of a corner building which abut a public street, or on those side walls of

buildings which have a public entrance opening for business purposes upon an alley, when such signs comply with the provisions of this Section.

3107.7.7.2 Walls facing parking lots. A building with adjoining parking lots used in connection with such building shall be permitted to have side wall signs facing over such parking lots toward a street or alley fronting on such lots.

3107.7.8 Signs on public space. No structure or standard used as a sign, bulletin, or advertisement of any sort shall be built, placed, erected, hung, maintained, or left in or upon any street, avenue, alley, highway, footway, sidewalk, parking or other public space in the District of Columbia, unless specifically approved by the code official, including the use of directional signs as described in Section 3107.6.6, in accordance with provisions of this Section.

3107.7.9 Transported signs or banners. No advertising sign or banner shall be carried or transported on or over any public space. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to signs displayed on vehicles and advertising the bona-fide business of the owner. This Section shall not be construed to apply to banners or signs carried by members of any labor organization or similar body, whether employers or employees, publicizing the existence of or facts about any labor dispute.

3107.7.10 Commercial advertising on WMATA vehicles. Despite the provisions of Section 3107.7.9, or any other law, the sale and use of commercial revenue advertising space on the rear and side exteriors, or entire exterior surfaces of Metrobus public transit vehicles under the control and operation of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) shall be permitted for such vehicles operating on public space within the District of Columbia, subject to the conditions of Sections 3107.7.10.1 through 3107.7.10.2.

3107.7.10.1 Observance of the law. No advertisement shall be accepted by WMATA which violates this code or any other District of Columbia or federal law.

3107.7.10.2 Public service announcements. The rear and side exterior advertising space on at least 10 percent of the total number of Metrobus vehicles available for public transit operations shall be reserved for free public service announcements and advertisements regarding community, art, cultural, educational, and similar events.

3107.7.11 Revolving signs. Revolving signs shall be permitted in Commercial and Industrial Districts as defined in the current Zoning Regulations, when located entirely upon the land of the owner and not projecting beyond the building line, subject to the conditions of Sections 3107.7.11.1 through 3107.7.11.7. As used in this subsection, "revolving sign" includes a sign that displays 3-D, moving, animated, or periodically-changing images or text.

3107.7.11.1 Location restriction. Revolving signs shall not be permitted on the roofs of buildings or structures.

3107.7.11.2 Application requirement. Complete details of erection and operation of revolving signs shall be submitted with the sign permit application.

3107.7.11.3 Color and electrical features. The color and electrical features of revolving signs shall be approved by the Department of Public Works before issuance of a revolving sign permit.

3107.7.11.4 Revolving speed. Revolving signs shall not revolve faster than 5 revolutions per minute.

3107.7.11.5 Dimensions. The area of revolving signs shall not exceed 40 square feet (3.72 m²) per face, and the maximum dimension shall not exceed 3 feet (914 mm).

3107.7.11.6 Clearance and height. Revolving signs shall have not less than 8 feet (2438 mm) clearance above the adjacent ground level, and the total height of the sign above grade shall not exceed 20 feet (6096 mm).

3107.7.11.7 Illumination. Exposed lights or tubing shall be prohibited on revolving signs, and illumination shall be from indirect or internal sources.

3107.7.11.8 Vehicular Traffic Safety. No revolving sign may be installed or maintained if the Department of Transportation has determined that the sign location, size, or height above grade is objectionable with regard to vehicular traffic safety.

3107.8 Temporary signs during construction. The code official is authorized to issue permits for the erection, painting, or affixing of signs on premises where building operations are being conducted, giving the name and address of the engineers, architects, contractors, financing institutions, and identifying the project or purpose of the building. Such signs shall comply with all requirements of this Section, and any sign so erected, painted, or affixed shall be removed upon completion of the building operations, or at any time before completion of building operations, when ordered by the code official in the interest of public safety, health and welfare.

3107.8.1 Signs in public space. Permits shall be issued for temporary construction signs, as described in Section 3107.8 to be erected on temporary barricades, covered walkways, construction offices or public space between the building line and such structures, subject to the conditions of Section 3107.8.

3107.8.2 Dimensions. The total area of signs erected on public space pursuant to Sections 3107.8 through 3107.8.2 shall be limited to 2 square feet (0.186 m²) for each foot of street frontage of the lot, with a maximum sign area of 40 square feet (3.72 m²) for residentially zoned property, and 200 square feet (18.58 m²) for commercially zoned

property. An additional 5 square feet (0.465 m²) of sign area shall be permitted on barricades to identify each adjoining premises or business.

3107.9 Residential or Special Purpose District limitations. The provisions of this Section shall govern types of signs in residential or special purpose districts.

3107.9.1 General Residential District limitation. No sign or signs shall be permitted in any Residential District, as fixed by the current Zoning Regulations, unless a permit is issued by the code official in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

Exemption. A permit shall not be required for a nameplate not exceeding 1 square foot (0.093 m²) in area, to advertise a home occupation, and bearing only the name and occupation of the occupant of the building.

3107.9.2 Zoning restrictions. Nothing within this Section shall be construed to grant any greater area nor any greater illumination than limited by specific order of the Board of Zoning Adjustment. If such a specific order prohibits any signs or illumination, such specific order shall take precedence over the provisions of this Section.

3107.9.3 Location restrictions. Residential district signs shall be located entirely on private property and shall be located on the portions of the building or premises occupied by the use for which the signs are authorized.

3107.9.4 Illumination. Residential District signs shall be allowed to be illuminated by steady white lighting only. No fluctuating, pulsating, or moving lights or lighting designed to change appearance in any manner shall be permitted in any Residential District. Where illumination of signs located in any Residential District is by gas tubes, these tubes shall not be visible but shall be allowed to be so arranged as to provide indirect light.

3107.9.5 Authorized signs. Signs complying with any of the Sections 3107.9.5.1 through 3107.9.5.8 shall be permitted.

3107.9.5.1 Public information. The code official is authorized to issue temporary permits for signs to advertise matters of a public, semi-public, or charitable character. Such temporary permits shall be granted for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days.

3107.9.5.2 Temporary automobile parking lots. On temporary automobile parking lots approved by the code official for such use, the total area of signs shall not exceed 20 square feet (1.86 m²) facing each street upon which the lot has a vehicular entrance, in addition to separate signs authorized under Section 3107.9.5.8.

3107.9.5.3 Nonconforming uses. Signs advertising a nonconforming use as defined in the current Zoning Regulations, shall be limited to a total area not to

exceed, for each use, the limits permitted by Section 3107.10 or 40 square feet (3.72 m²), whichever is less. Separate signs authorized under Section 3107.9.5.8 shall be counted towards the limits of this Section.

3107.9.5.4 Church bulletins. Church bulletins shall not exceed 20 square feet (1.86 m²) in area for each church. When approved by the code official, church bulletins shall be allowed to be placed on public parking upon recommendation of the Public Space Committee.

3107.9.5.5 Non-profit organization. Signs for each school, college, hotel, philanthropic institution, non-profit organization, hospital, residential care facility or church, shall be limited to a total area not to exceed 40 square feet (3.73 m²).

1. Non-profit organization nameplates. When approved by the code official, a nameplate or nameplates, each such plate not more than 6 square feet (0.56 m²) in area, shall be allowed to be placed on the public parking at entrance driveways, upon recommendation of the Public Space Committee. The area of such nameplates shall not be counted towards the limits on total sign area specified in Section 3107.9.5.5.
2. Sign supports. Signs pursuant to Section 3107.9.5.5 shall be allowed to be supported on posts or pilasters where permits have been secured for posts or pilasters, but shall not be so placed as to extend over any walkway or roadway unless there is at least 8 feet (2438 mm) clearance above such walkway or 15 feet (4572 mm) clearance above such roadway.

3107.9.5.6 Apartment house signs. For apartment houses, signs shall be limited to the name and house number of the building. Such signs shall only be permitted when facing the street or streets upon which entrances to the building are located. Such signs shall not exceed for each building frontage, the limits set forth in Table 3107.9.5.6. Signs placed on a marquee, canopy, or awning, as permitted under Section 3107.7.4, shall not be counted towards the area limitation given in Table 3107.9.5.6. For purposes of this Section, a group building erected under a covenant shall be considered as a single building.

TABLE 3107.9.5.6
APARTMENT HOUSE SIGNS

STREET FRONTAGE (feet) (a)	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE SIZE OF SIGN ON STREET FRONTAGE (square feet) (b)
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Up to 45	4
45 to 50	5
50 to 55	6
55 to 60	7
60 to 65	8
65 to 70	9
70 to 75	10
75 to 80	11
80 to 85	12
85 to 90	13
90 to 95	14
95 to 100	15
100 to 105	16
105 to 110	17
110 to 115	18
115 to 120	19
120 and above	20

Note a. 1 foot = 304.8 mm

Note b. 1 square foot = 0.093 square meters

3107.9.5.7 Office buildings, commercial or industrial uses. For buildings or premises approved by the Board of Zoning Adjustment for office buildings and commercial or industrial uses, the total area of signs, for each such building or premises, shall not exceed the limit prescribed in Section 3107.10, or 40 square feet, (3.73 m²), or such other limitation as may have been imposed by the Board of Zoning Adjustment, whichever is less. Such signs shall be attached flat against the wall of the building, unless they conform to Section 3107.9.5.7.1.

1. Signs beyond the wall. Signs pursuant to Section 3107.9.5.7 shall be permitted on canopies, marquees, porticos, and awnings located entirely on private property, where placed or painted in the manner and with the limitations described in Section 3107.7.4. Signs so placed shall be counted towards the maximum allowable area of signs.

3107.9.5.8 Parking rate signs. Where Section 612 of DCMR 24, "Public Space and Safety" requires that a schedule of auto parking charge rates be posted, a separate sign setting forth such schedule, not more than 20 square feet (1.86 m²) in area, shall be allowed in addition to the areas otherwise permitted in Sections 3107.9.5.2 and 3107.9.5.3.

3107.9.6 Signs in Special Purpose Districts. For buildings or premises located in a Special Purpose District, as defined in the current Zoning Regulations, the total area of signs shall not exceed the limits set forth in Table 3107.9.6, nor those imposed by any specific order of the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

TABLE 3107.9.6
SIGNS IN SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS

STREET FRONTAGE (feet) (a)	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE SIZE OF SIGN ON STREET FRONTAGE (square feet) (b)
Up to 40	40 ft ²
40 to 100	1 ft ² per foot of frontage
Over 100	100 ft ² plus 0.5 ft ² per foot of frontage over 100

Note a. 1 foot = 304.8 mm

Note b. 1 square foot = 0.093 square meters

3107.10 Maximum size of signs. In any district other than Residential or Special Purpose Districts, the total area of sign or signs attached to, displayed from, or erected upon any building, lot, or parcel of land, shall not exceed the limits prescribed in Sections 3107.10.1 through 3107.10.7.

3107.10.1 One story buildings. Two square feet (0.19 m²) for each foot of width of front of building occupied by the business or profession to be advertised, such signs or signs to be placed on the front under consideration within the limits of the portion of the front in which the business advertised is located. Roof signs shall not exceed 100 square feet (9.29 m²) facing any one street frontage.

3107.10.2 First floor stores or businesses in multi-story buildings. The provisions of Section 3107.10.1 shall apply, except that such signs shall be kept within a height of 20 feet (6096 mm) above the sidewalk.

3107.10.3 Upper stories of multi-story buildings. The total area of all signs above the 20-foot height specified in Section 3107.10.2 shall not exceed the limits set forth in Table 3107.10.3, for each street frontage.

TABLE 3107.10.3
SIGNS ABOVE THE FIRST STORY

AREA OF WALL ABOVE 20 FEET	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE AREA
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ABOVE THE SIDEWALK, ON STREET FRONTAGE (square feet) (a)	OF SIGNS ABOVE 20 FEET ABOVE SIDEWALK ON STREETFRONTAGE
Up to 1600	40 ft ²
1600 to 4000	1/40 of area of wall above 20 ft height
Over 4000	100 ft ² roof signs, or 1/40 of area of wall above 20 ft height for signs below roof

Note a. 1 square foot = 0.093 square meters

3107.10.4 Single occupancy buildings. Where an entire building over one story in height is occupied by one business, store or occupant, the total area of all signs on each street frontage shall not exceed the limits set forth in Table 3107.10.4.

TABLE 3107.10.4
SIGNS ON SINGLE-OCCUPANT MULTI-STORY BUILDINGS

AREA OF WALL ON STREET FRONTAGE (square feet) (a)	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE AREA OF SIGNS ON STREETFRONTAGE
Up to 4000	100 ft ²
Over 4000	1/40 of area of wall, of which not more than 100 ft ² above the roof

Note a. 1 square foot = 0.093 square meters

3107.10.5 Unimproved lots or lots with a small office. Where a business is conducted on an unimproved lot or a lot with a small office, 2 square feet (0.19 m²) of sign area for each foot of street frontage shall be allowed, but not more than 150 square feet (13.95 m²) per frontage under consideration. The area of the signs of such buildings shall not exceed that permitted under Section 3107.10.1.

3107.10.6 Parking rate signs. Where Section 612 of DCMR 24, "Public Space and Safety" requires that a schedule of auto parking charge rated be posted, a sign setting

forth such schedule, not more than 20 square feet (1.86 m²) in area shall be allowed in addition to the areas otherwise permitted in Sections 3107.10.1 through 3107.10.5.

3107.10.7 Exemptions. Signs exempted from permit pursuant to Sections 3107.3.5 through 3107.3.5.8 shall not be counted towards the total sign area permitted under Sections 3107.10.1 through 3107.10.5.

3107.11 Structural and materials requirements. All signs and their supports, including signs exempted from permit, shall comply with all structural and materials requirements of this Section and other applicable Sections of this code.

3107.11.1 Wind load. Signs shall be designed and constructed to withstand wind pressure as provided for in Chapter 16.

3107.11.2 Seismic load. Signs designed to withstand wind pressures shall be considered capable of withstanding earthquake loads, except as provided for in Chapter 16.

3107.11.3 Working stresses. The allowable working stresses shall conform with the requirements of Chapter 16. The working stresses of wire rope and its fastenings shall not exceed 25 percent of the ultimate strength of the rope or fasteners.

Exceptions:

- 1 The allowable working stresses for steel and wood shall be in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 22 and Chapter 23.
2. The working strength of chains, cables, guys or steel rods shall not exceed one-fifth of the ultimate strength of such chains, cables, guys or steel.

3107.11.4 Attachment. Signs attached to all structures shall be safely and securely fastened by means of metal anchors, bolts or approved expansion screws of sufficient size and anchorage to safely support the loads applied. Structure to which signs are attached shall be designed to support the loads applied. Signs shall not be attached to or supported by unbraced parapet walls.

3107.11.5 Lateral bracing assumptions. For design of lateral bracing in the direction of the length of the sign, the wind shall be assumed at an angle of 45 degrees with the front or back of the sign, and the bracing designed for the force on the projected area perpendicular to the wind.

3107.11.6 Ground supports. Ground supports for signs shall comply with Sections 3107.11.6.1 through 3107.11.6.2.

3107.11.6.1 Wood materials. Where wood is embedded in the soil, the wood shall be pressure treated with an approved preservative.

3107.11.6.2 Metal materials. Metal materials shall be protected from corrosion.

3107.11.7 Combustible materials. Plastic materials shall burn at a rate no faster than 2.5 inches per minute (64 mm/min) when tested in accordance with ASTM D 635.

3107.11.8 Incombustible materials. Signs as specified in Section 3107.11.8.1 through 3107.11.8.5 shall be of incombustible material except that sign cappings, decorations, lettering, and moldings may be of combustible materials.

3107.11.8.1 Wall signs. Wall signs exceeding 40 square feet (3.72 m²) in area, flat against, or supported not more than 15 inches (381 mm) away from the wall.

3107.11.8.2 Projecting signs. Projecting signs exceeding 2.5 square feet (0.23 m²) in area.

3107.11.8.3 Ground-supported signs. Ground-supported signs over 15 feet (4572 mm) in height or located 6 feet (1828 mm) or less from any building.

3107.11.8.4 Roof signs. Roof signs, irrespective of height or area.

3107.11.8.5 Electrical signs. Signs using electricity.

3107.11.9 Use of glass. Glass in signs shall be double-strength plain glass, plate glass, or wired glass. Glass shall be designed per Table 3107.11.9, except that no panel of more than 10 square feet (0.93 m²) of glass other than wired glass shall be used in signs projecting over public space.

**TABLE 3107.11.9
SIZE, THICKNESS AND TYPE OF GLASS PANELS IN SIGNS**

MAXIMUM SIZE OF EXPOSED PANEL (square feet)		MINIMUM THICKNESS OF GLASS	TYPE OF GLASS
Any dimension (inches)	Area (square inches)	(inches)	
30	500	1/8	Plain, plate or wired
45	700	3/16	Plain, plate or wired
144	3,600	1/4	Plain, plate or wired
>144	>3,600	1/4	Wired glass

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 square inch = 645 mm²

3107.12 Alteration or relocation of signs. No sign erected before the adoption of these regulations shall be altered structurally or relocated, unless it is brought into compliance with the requirements of all applicable regulations for new signs.

3107.13 Dangerous signs. When any sign now or hereafter erected, hung, attached, or maintained becomes structurally unsafe or otherwise dangerous to the safety of any building or premises, or to the public, the code official shall order the same to be taken down, removed, or made safe, and such order shall be complied with by the owner, occupant, agent, or person having the beneficial use of any building or premises upon which said dangerous sign may be erected, hung, attached, or maintained. Any such person failing to comply with the orders issued pursuant to this Section shall, upon conviction or adjudication, be subject to the fines provided for in the Act of March 3, 1931, 46 Stat. 1486, as amended, D.C. Code Section 1-327 (1981 ed.), or to civil fines, penalties, and fees pursuant to titles I-III of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, Civil Infractions Act of 1985, D.C. Law 6-42, Section 457.

3107.14 Obstructive signs. No sign shall be so erected, hung, or attached as to obstruct any window, door, fire escape, balcony, platform, stairway, ladder, stack, vent pipe, or egress from any building.

3107.14.1 Removal of obstructive signs. Signs in violation of Section 3107.14 shall be removed or relocated to conform with this code.

3107.15 Display of license or permit. The provisions of this Section shall govern licenses, permits and penalties for sign work.

3107.15.1 Display of license. Any person, persons, firm, or corporation engaged in the business of painting, repainting, placing, replacing, hanging, erecting, or maintaining signs within the meaning of this Section shall have at his, her, their, or its principal place of business within the District of Columbia the license issued by the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, available for inspection by the code official or by any member of the Metropolitan Police Department, at all appropriate times.

3107.15.2 Display of permit. A permit for the erection, repair, painting, repainting, or as otherwise provided in this Section, of a sign shall be kept on the premises where such sign is being erected repaired, painted, repainted, or as otherwise provided in this Section, and shall be displayed by the permittee when ordered to do so by the code official or by any member of the Metropolitan Police Department, at all appropriate times.

3107.15.3 Penalties. Any person failing to comply with these regulations shall, upon conviction or adjudication, be subject to the fines provided for in the Act of March 3, 1931, 46 Stat. 1486, as amended, D.C. Code Section 1-327 (1981 ed.), or to civil fines, penalties, and fees pursuant to titles I-III of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Civil Infractions Act of 1985, D.C. Law 6-42, Section 457.

3107.16 Real estate signs. The provisions of this Section shall govern real estate signs.

3107.16.1 Public space restrictions. No sign or advertisement relating to the sale, rent, or lease of land or premises shall be located on the sidewalk or parking of any street, avenue, or road in the District of Columbia.

3107.16.2 Number, location and size of sign. One (1) painted or printed sign or advertisement for the sale, rent, or lease of land or premises shall be allowed with the written consent of the owner or the owner's agent to be placed, by any one of not more than three (3) real estate agents, on any lot, piece, or parcel of land abutting on a street, avenue, or road in the District of Columbia, or attached to the exterior of any building fronting on them, provided permits are secured for such sign in accordance with Section 3107.16.4. The area of any such sign shall not exceed 40 square feet (3.716 m²) if located within a Residential district, or 60 square feet (5.58 m²) if located within an unsubdivided outlying Section of the District of Columbia. This Section shall not apply to the temporary placement of directional signs relating to the sale or lease of real estate which indicate the holding of an open house, or a sign attached to the one painted or printed sign allowed by Section 3107.3.5.7 which indicates that the premises have been sold, leased, or placed under contract.

3107.16.3 Additional restrictions. Real estate signs shall be located on the premises advertised. Directional signs shall not be permitted.

3107.16.4 Permit for real estate signs. Under the provisions of the Act of March 4, 1913, 37 Stat. 974, a permit shall be issued to erect, hang, place, paint, or display any sign advertising the sale, rent or lease of real estate, or which in any manner pertains to land or buildings, unless exempted by Section 3107.3.5.7. No permit shall be required for the temporary placement of directional signs which indicate the holding of an open house at a particular property.

3107.16.5 Penalties. The code official is authorized to require the removal of any sign or advertisement in violation of this provision and to institute proceedings against persons violating this provision, and upon, conviction or adjudication, such persons shall be subject to the fines provided for in the Act of March 3, 1931, 46 Stat. 1486, as amended, D.C. Code Section 1-327 (1981 ed.), or to civil fines, penalties, and fees pursuant to titles I-III of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Civil Infractions Act of 1985, D.C. Law 6-42, Section 457.

3107.17 Rules for Special Signs. The code official is authorized to issue a permit for a "Special Sign," as defined in Subsection 3107.17.1. Special Signs shall be subject to the rules of this section and not to the rules in this chapter pertaining to billboards, poster panels, wall signs, and other specific types of signs. The rules of this section shall apply only to Special Signs.

3107.17.1 Definitions: As used in this section, the following definitions apply:

Special Sign: A sign which meets the standards listed in §3107.17.5, that is erected, hung, placed, posted, painted, displayed or maintained on an outdoor or exterior wall or surface of a building pursuant to a Special Sign Permit issued by the Director of the Department. A Special Sign shall only include signs that are erected, hung, placed, painted, displayed or maintained on an outdoor or exterior wall or surface that is not self-standing. A Special Sign shall be one of the thirty-two special signs approved by the Director pursuant to the Rules for Special Signs adopted September 22, 2000 (47 D.C. Register 7695 – 7700).

Call to Action: An explicit, specific or blatant message to consumers from the sponsor that asks consumers to take action by purchasing, using, utilizing or considering the use of a sponsor's product and/or service, including without limitation providing price or value information (e.g., "affordable" or "5% interest rate available") and inducements to act (e.g., "one month's free service when you buy").

Logo: The symbol, emblem, typeface, or other visual device used by the sponsor to identify itself and to distinguish itself from others in the marketplace.

Permit Holder: The individual or entity who or which holds a Special Sign Permit validly issued and in good standing in accordance with the requirements of this section and with all other applicable terms and conditions of Chapter 31, and who or which makes such Special Sign available for sponsorship or community service as provided herein.

Sponsor: The entity that contracts with the Permit Holder for the use of a Special Sign to display the Sponsor's artwork that meets the visual and text standards of Subsection 3115.4.2.5.

3107.17.2 Special Sign Permit: No Special Sign may be erected, hung, placed, posted, painted, displayed, or maintained in the District of Columbia without the owner of such Special Sign first obtaining a Special Sign Permit from the Department in accordance with Subsection 3107.17.3 and approval of the artwork in accordance with Subsection 3107.17.5. A Special Sign Permit authorizes the sign's location and particular artwork.

3107.17.3 Special Sign Permit Application: An application for a Special Sign Permit shall be submitted by the owner to the Director of the Department, or his designee, on a form provided by the Department, and shall include the following:

- (a) Identification of: (1) the applicant; (2) the proposed location of the Special Sign, by the street address of the building or premises and the face direction of the wall or surface (e.g., "northern-facing"); (3) the proposed linear dimensions of the Special Sign; and (4) a list of all existing Special Signs, identified by the address of the premises, located within a radius of one thousand feet (1000 ft) of the center of the proposed Special Sign;
- (b) An affidavit signed by the applicant or his duly authorized representative, certifying that the applicant is in compliance with the Clean Hands Before

Receiving A License or Permit Act of 1996 ("Clean Hands Act"), D.C. Law 11-118, effective May 11, 1996, D.C. Official Code Section 47-2861 *et seq.*)

- (c) A permit fee in the amount of one dollar (\$1.00) per square foot of the Special Sign. The permit fee may be paid by check made payable to the order of the "D.C. Treasurer." The permit fee may be refunded to the applicant if the permit is not issued, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1 for the refund of unused permit fees.

3107.17.3.1 Applicant Qualifications: The applicant who or which submits an application for a Special Permit shall be licensed to do business in the District of Columbia as a business engaged in outdoor advertising, shall be a business in good standing at the time the application is submitted and for the duration of the permit, as evidenced in the Department's records. The applicant shall not owe more than one hundred dollars (\$100) in taxes or delinquent fines to the District of Columbia at the time the application is submitted, as evidenced in the records of the District of Columbia Office of Tax and Revenue, and shall be in compliance with the Clean Hands Act.

3107.17.4 Review, Approval and Denial of Permit Applications: The Director of the Department, or his designee, shall review and approve or deny a Special Sign Permit application within twenty (20) days of its submission. Special Sign Permits shall be issued in the name of the applicant and shall pertain solely to the Special Sign location identified on the permit, subject to the transferability provisions of Subsection 3107.17.7.

3107.17.4.1 Denial of Application: If the Director denies a Special Sign Permit, the denial shall be in writing to the applicant and shall state the statutory or regulatory basis for the denial. The applicant shall have ten (10) business days from receipt of the denial to correct any defect in the application.

3107.17.5 Approval of Special Sign Artwork: Prior to the erection, hanging, placement, posting, painting, or displaying of any Special Sign artwork, the applicant shall obtain approval of such Special Sign artwork from the Department. The applicant shall submit the Special Sign artwork for approval with the original permit application or obtain approval for the Special Sign artwork subsequent to the issuance of the Special Sign Permit. Special Sign artwork shall be submitted to the Director of the Department or his or her designee, who shall review and act on the Special Sign artwork submission within ten (10) days of the submission. No Special Sign artwork shall be accepted by the Department which violates the D.C. Official Code or any other District of Columbia law or municipal regulation, or federal law. No Special Sign artwork shall be approved by the Department unless:

- (a) Identification of the Sponsor of the Special Sign, when provided, is limited to the bottom center, bottom right or bottom left corner of the Special Sign artwork, and shall be limited to the words "Sponsored by [Name and/or Logo of Sponsor]". This Sponsor identification shall be no higher than one-tenth (1/10) of the

maximum vertical dimension of the face of the sign, and no wider than one-third (1/3) of the maximum horizontal width of the face of the sign.

- (b) The copy of the Special Sign is predominantly pictorial and non-verbal, with textual matter occupying no more than 25% of the display area of the sign. The space occupied by any sponsor identification shall not be counted against the 25% limitation.
- (c) Any words included in the body of the Special Sign artwork shall not directly or indirectly identify the Sponsor or any of the Sponsor's recognizable campaign slogans, or serve as a direct "Call to Action" on behalf of the Sponsor.
- (d) The Department of Transportation determines that the sign location, size, and height above grade is not objectionable with regard to vehicular traffic safety.
- (e) The Department determines that the sign location is compatible with any existing park or building under the control of either the District of Columbia or the Federal government, pursuant to applicable laws and regulations.
- (f) The distance between horizontal projection of the center of the new proposed sign and the horizontal projection of the center of any other existing Special Sign within a one thousand feet (1000 ft) radius is at least five (5) times the sum of the diagonals of the two signs. This provision shall not affect existing Special Signs but shall apply to all new Special Signs and to the proposed relocation of any existing Special Sign.

3107.17.5.1 Submission of Color Copies: Color copies of the proposed Special Sign artwork shall be submitted to the Department for approval, in duplicate. The color copies shall be legible. Once Special Sign artwork is approved, the two (2) copies shall be stamped "approved" by the Department; one copy shall be placed in the applicant's permit file with the Department and be made available for inspection by the Department, for as long as the sign shall remain on display, and one copy shall be returned to the applicant reflecting the approval of the Department.

3107.17.6 Changing Special Sign Copy: A Special Sign permit holder may change the Special Sign artwork at the permit location by submitting the new artwork for approval in accordance with the provisions of Section 3107.17.5. A "change copy" fee in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) must be paid before each new Special Sign artwork can be approved and changed. The \$500 change copy fee in this Subsection is refundable if the request to change the Special Sign artwork by the permit holder is not approved by the Director. Changing the copy of a permitted Special Sign shall not entail an increase of any of the linear dimensions of the sign.

3107.17.7 Transferability of Special Sign Locations: A Special Sign Permit shall be transferable to a new location only under the following conditions:

- (a) Except for transfers from locations presently lying outside the area defined in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the transfer is for cause, which only means that: (1) the lease for the location of the Special Sign is cancelled, terminated, or otherwise invalid; (2) the Special Sign is partially or totally obstructed; or (3) the location of the Special Sign is or would be no longer feasible because of construction or development.
- (b) The new location is within the Central Business District (C-4), as defined by Title 11 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations; the commercial or industrial portions of the New York Avenue corridor, areas zoned industrial (M, C-M), as defined in Chapter 8 of Title 11 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (11 DCMR §800 *et seq.*); facilities within the jurisdiction of the District of Columbia Sports Commission as of November 1, 2001; or the following areas within the Central Employment Area which are bounded as follows:
 - (1) Beginning at the corner of F Street, N.W. and 17th Street, N.W., west along F Street, N.W. to 20th Street, N.W., north along 20th Street, N.W. to Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., west along Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. to 21st Street, N.W., north along 21st Street, N.W. to M Street, N.W., east along M Street, N.W. to 20th Street, N.W., north along 20th Street, N.W. to N Street, N.W., east along N Street, N.W. to 19th Street, N.W., south along 19th Street, N.W. to G Street, N.W., east along G Street, N.W. to 17th Street, N.W., south along 17th Street, N.W. to F Street, N.W.;
 - (2) Beginning at the corner of Rhode Island Avenue, N.W. and M Street, N.W., northeast along Rhode Island Avenue, N.W. to Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., east along Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. to 15th Street, N.W., south along 15th Street, N.W. to M Street, N.W., west along M Street, N.W. to 16th Street, N.W., south along the east side of 16th Street, N.W. to Eye Street, N.W., north along the west side of 16th Street, N.W. to M Street, N.W., west along M Street, N.W. to Rhode Island Avenue, N.W.;
 - (3) Beginning at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. and 14th Street, N.W., east along Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. to 9th Street, N.W., north along 9th Street, N.W. to N Street, N.W., east along N Street, N.W. to 7th Street, N.W., south along 7th Street, N.W. to K Street, N.W., east along K Street, N.W. to 3rd Street, N.W., south along 3rd Street, N.W. to Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., west along Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. to Eye Street, N.W., west along Eye Street, N.W. to 9th Street, N.W., south along 9th Street, N.W. to H Street, N.W., west along H Street, N.W. to 11th Street, N.W., north along H Street, N.W. to Eye Street, N.W., west along Eye Street, N.W. to 12th Street, N.W., north along 12th Street, N.W. to L Street, N.W., west along L Street, N.W. to 14th Street, N.W., north along 14th Street, N.W. to Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.;
 - (4) Beginning at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. and H Street, N.W., east along H Street, N.W. to the closed alley (formerly Smith Court) in the mid-block between 1st Street, N.W. and North Capitol

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Street, south along that closed alley line to G Street, N.W., east along G Street, N.W., to North Capitol Street, south along North Capitol Street, N.W. to Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., northwest on Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. to H Street, N.W.;

- (5) Beginning at the intersection of Florida Avenue, N.E. and North Capitol Street, southeast along Florida Avenue, N.E. to 4th Street, N.E., south along 4th Street, N.E. to M Street, N.E., west along M Street, N.E. to 3rd Street, N.E., south along 3rd Street, N.E. to K Street, N.E., west along K Street, N.E. to 1st Street, N.E., south along 1st Street, N.E. to G Place, N.E., west along G Place, N.E. to North Capitol Street, north along North Capitol Street to Florida Avenue, N.E.;
- (6) Beginning at the corner of M Street, S.E. and South Capitol Street, east along M Street, S.E., to 1st Street, S.E., south along 1st Street, S.E., to Potomac Avenue, S.E., west along Potomac Avenue, S.E., to South Capitol Street, north along South Capitol Street to M Street, S.E.; and
- (7) Beginning at the intersection of Maryland Avenue, S.W. and Maine Avenue, S.W., east along Maryland Avenue, S.W. to 9th Street, S.W., south along 9th Street, S.W. to Interstate 395, west along Interstate 395 to Maine Avenue, S.W.
 - (c) The Special Sign in its new location is approved by the Department in accordance with all other applicable provisions of Subsection 3107.17.
 - (d) The permit holder pays a "change location" fee in the amount of \$ 500. The \$ 500 change location fee shall be refundable if the transfer of the Special Sign permit to a new location is not approved. If the relocation of the Special Sign is made at the request of the Department, a change location fee shall not be required.
 - (e) If the Special Sign is painted or drawn onto an existing structure, the method of removal shall be that the existing structure where the Special Sign has been placed shall be made neutral prior to the relocation.
 - (f) If a current Special Sign permit for a location that is not in the zone of transferability, as defined in paragraph (b) of this subsection, is transferred to another location under this subsection, the Department shall ensure that the current Special Sign has been removed prior to the relocation and no subsequent Special Sign shall be permitted to be erected in the former location or area outside the zone of transferability.
 - (g) No Special Sign shall be installed so as to extend above the lowest portion of the roofline of an existing building's dimensions.

3107.17.8 Installation of Special Signs: The installation of a Special Sign shall be done in a workmanlike manner and in accordance with the standards of the industry. Special Signs shall be subject to the structural provisions of Subsection 3107.11. Special signs shall not be installed upon building walls so as to cover any existing windows. A Special Sign shall only be installed upon a building and no part of either it or its supporting structure may protrude above the wall upon which it is installed. The topmost point of a Special Sign or of its supporting structure shall not be higher than the allowable height for a new building at the premises, under the current Zoning Regulations.

3107.17.9 Illumination of Special Signs: Special Signs within five hundred feet (500 ft) of a residential zone, as established in the Zoning Regulations of the District of Columbia, shall not be illuminated. Other Special Signs may be indirectly illuminated by projecting artificial light on the surface of the sign, but shall not be internally illuminated nor be constructed of or incorporate neon, or any other type of gas or vapor lights. Special Signs shall not contain movable parts, or highly reflective or fluorescent materials, nor shall they contain 3-D, moving, animated, or periodically-changing images or text.

3107.17.10 Limitations on Special Sign Permits: The Department shall not issue any new permit, whether as an initial permit, for changes to artwork pursuant to Subsection 3107.17.5, or for transfer to a new location pursuant to Subsection 3107.17.7, for any Special Sign to be displayed upon buildings or land located in any of the following areas:

- (1) In or within one hundred feet (100 ft) of a Residential District, as defined in the District of Columbia Zoning Regulations, or within one hundred feet (100 ft) of a school or church with a valid certificate of occupancy for such use, or within one hundred feet (100 ft) of a federal or District of Columbia park or monument.
- (2) Between one hundred and two hundred feet (100 ft - 200 ft) of a Residential District, as defined in the Zoning Regulations of the District of Columbia, unless the sign faces away from the residential district and is placed at an angle of forty-five degrees (45°) or less with the closest residential zoning district boundary line.
- (3) In or within sixty feet (60 ft) of any Historic District or Historic Landmark or site listed on the most current edition of the "District of Columbia Inventory of Historic Sites" as amended from time to time, unless the Special Sign is located outside a Residential District, on a side-wall or back-wall of the building or site and historic preservation approval is granted if necessary. Special signs in any Historic District or on a Historic Landmark or site shall be removed within six months of its erection, hanging, placement or display.
- (4) In or within one hundred feet (100 ft) of premises within the area controlled by Public Law 231, 71st Congress, known as the Shipstead-Luce Act.
- (5) In or within one hundred feet (100 ft) of premises within the area controlled by Public Law 808, 81st Congress, known as the Old Georgetown Act.
- (6) In a waterfront district (W) and pursuant to specific prohibitions as may be contained in the Zoning Regulations of the District of Columbia, as amended from time to time.

3107.17.11 Enforcement of Regulations and Removal of Special Signs: Any unauthorized Special Sign (including a Special Sign without a permit, or a permitted Special Sign with unauthorized artwork) shall be taken down, removed, or obliterated within ten (10) days after receipt of written notification of violation from the Department.

The code official is authorized to bring enforcement actions on behalf of the Department, which may include the authorization to use the police or other governmental authority to order removal of, or to remove, the unauthorized Special Sign and the imposition of civil fines of no more than three dollars (\$3) per square foot of sign, per day that the unauthorized Special Sign fails to be taken down, removed or obliterated. Both the owner of the premises upon which the Special Sign is displayed and the permit holder are responsible for taking down, removing or obliterating the sign upon notification by the Department to do so, and both may be held responsible for any penalties or fines imposed for the violation. Additional enforcement measures may be taken pursuant to, and consistent with, the provisions of Section 113, "Violations and Infractions."

3107.17.12. Moratorium on Issuance of Special Signs: Other than for changes in artwork pursuant to Subsection 3107.17.5, or for transfers of location pursuant to Subsection 3107.17.7, no new Special Sign Permits shall be issued after November 9, 2000.

SECTION 3110A FENCES

Add new Section 3110 Fences

3110.1 General. Fences shall comply with the requirements of this Section, other applicable Sections of this code and other municipal regulations. This Section applies to fences back of the building line. All barbed wire and similar fences shall comply with the requirement of 3110.4 and 3110.4.1. Fences on privately owned land beyond a building restriction line shall comply with the requirements for fences on public property and permits for such fences shall be obtained from the code official.

3110.1.1 Fence walls. Fence walls shall conform to the requirements for fences.

3110.1.2 Screens or trellises. Screens or trellises shall conform to the requirements for fences.

3110.1.3 Height measurement. The measurement of the height of a fence shall be made from the top of the fence to grade, on the side of the fence where grade level is higher.

3110.1.4 Permit applications. Applications for permits to erect a fence shall be accompanied by an official building plat upon which the proposed fence location is indicated. Approval by the Zoning Division of the Department shall be required before a permit shall be issued.

3110.2 Party fences. Only those portions of the length of a fence, including footings, which are partly on each side of a party line shall be considered as party fences. Permit applications for party fences shall be signed by the owners of the properties on which the fence is to be located.

3110.2.1 Fence materials. A party fence shall be a wood, woven wire, or iron fence of open pattern unless otherwise agreed upon by the adjoining owners.

3110.2.2 Height agreements. Where owners propose to erect a party fence over 7 feet (2134 mm) in height in Residential Districts or 10 feet (3048 mm) in S-P, C, C-M, or M Districts, written agreement to the height by the owners of the properties on which the fence is to be located shall be filed with the code official before issuance of a permit.

3110.3 Other fences. Fences other than party fences shall comply with Sections 3110.3.1 through 3110.3.5.

3110.3.1 Fences abutting streets. Fences abutting a street shall not exceed 7 feet (2134 mm) in height in Residential Districts nor 10 feet (3048 mm) in height in S-P, C, C-M, or M Districts.

Exception. Wing walls attached to a building or forming part of the fences may exceed the above heights for that portion removed from party lines the distance of a side yard for a building, as required by the current Zoning Regulations.

3110.3.2 Fences abutting alleys. Fences abutting alleys shall not exceed 7 feet (2134 mm) in height in Residential Districts nor 10 feet (3048 mm) in S-P, C, C-M, or M Districts.

Exception. The code official is authorized to approve a greater height where the alley is 15 feet (4572 mm) wide or more.

3110.3.3 Fences near party lines. Fences within a strip 10 feet (3048 mm) wide and parallel to the party line shall not exceed 7 feet (2134 mm) in height in Residential Districts nor 10 feet (3048 mm) in S-P, C, C-M, or M Districts. Fences shall not obstruct light or ventilation for any required window.

Exception: Where the written consent of the adjoining owners is filed, the code official may approve a greater height.

3110.3.4 Fences distant from party line. Fences more than 10 feet (3048 mm) from a party line, alley, building or building restriction line shall not be limited as to height, provided such fences do not encroach on a required yard or court, nor obstruct the light or ventilation for any required window.

3110.3.5 Gate height. Gates shall not exceed the height of the fence.

3110.4 Barbed wire and similar fences. No barbed wire or similar fence, barrier, or obstruction, made thus in whole or in part, shall be erected, constructed, or maintained, along the building restriction line, or in or upon any street, alley, road, or other public walk, driveway, or public or private parking in the District of Columbia.

3110.4.1 Barbed wire and similar fence on private property. A barbed wire or similar fence, barrier or obstruction may be erected wholly on private property when located in back of the lot line or building restriction line if one exists. The minimum height of the lowest strand of barbed wire shall be 6 feet (1829 mm) above adjacent ground and the wire shall not project beyond the lot line or building restriction line.

CHAPTER 32A ENCROACHMENTS INTO THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

SECTION 3201A GENERAL

Maintain this Section without deletion

SECTION 3202A ENCROACHMENTS

Delete Sections 3202.1 through 3202.4 in their entirety and substitute the following:

3202.1 Character of encroachments. Encroachments (hereinafter referred to in this Section as “projections”) are a privilege. They cannot be claimed as a right, and require a permit issued by the code official. The provisions of Section 3202 establish the limitations on projections that may be granted, but proposed projections may be further restricted or refused if the code official considers such action best for the public interest.

3202.2 Removal of projections. All permits for projections shall be issued with the understanding and agreement by the applicant that any and all such projections shall be promptly removed upon notice by the code official. Projections not requiring individual approval. Footing projections approved in connection with building permits, bases, sills, water tables, cornices, belt courses, and roof overhangs conforming with requirements hereafter defined, shall not require approval as projections.

3202.4 Modification of projection requirements. The code official is authorized to grant modifications of requirements on projections when either Section 3202.4.1 or 3202.4.2 applies.

3202.4.1 Modifications in the general public interest. Modifications requested to embellish the building, when the primary object of the modification is not the occupation of additional public space or changing of interior arrangements, and in the opinion of the code official such modification will not interfere with adjacent buildings nor with the general public interest.

3202.4.2 Foregone construction. When the owner will permanently forego construction on, or the use of, a projection portion of his or her lot, in conformity with a plan previously approved by the National Capital Planning Commission for improvement of any street or thoroughfare, and the code official determines that the public interest will thereby be better served, the code official is authorized to grant a modification to authorize projections which shall equitably compensate such owner. Such projections and arrangements shall comply with the limitations and conditions of Sections 3202.4.2.1 through 3202.4.2.5.

3202.4.2.1 Width. The width of projections allowed under Section 3202.4.2 shall be limited as follows:

1. Where the adjoining structure projects into public space a distance equal to or in excess of the proposed projection, the proposed projection may be constructed to the lot line extended, on the side of such adjoining structure.
2. Where the adjoining structure does not project into public space, or projects a distance less than the proposed projection, the proposed projection shall not extend to within 10 feet (3048 mm) of the lot line extended, on the side of such adjoining structure, unless the angle formed by the building line and the face of the proposed projection does not exceed 45 degrees.
3. Projections at the corner of two streets shall be allowed to continue around the corner if corresponding projections are approved for both streets.

3202.4.2.2 Height. The height of projections above grade shall be limited to the height of the building. No portion of such projection or supports thereof shall be constructed less than 20 feet (6096 mm) above the sidewalk or parking grade at any point. When approved, balconies or other projections, which in the judgment of the code official will embellish the area, may be constructed with lower clearances above grade but never less than 8 feet (2438 mm) above walkways, nor less than 15 feet (4267 mm) above driveways.

3202.4.2.3 Projecting distance. No projection shall extend leaving a clear space of less than 4 feet (1219 mm) from the footprint on the face of the projection to the outer edge of the curb. In addition, the projection shall be limited as specified in Table 3202.4.2.

**TABLE 3202.4.2
MAXIMUM PROJECTIONS
UNDER FOREGONE CONSTRUCTION MODIFICATIONS**

TYPE OF STREET	WIDTH OF STREET (feet) (a)	MAXIMUM PROJECTING DISTANCE (feet) (a)
Unparked	40 to 45	4
Unparked	45 to 70	6
Unparked	70 to 80	8
Unparked	80 or over	14
Parked	Any width	14

Note a. 1 foot = 304.8 mm

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3202.4.2.4 Required covenant. The owner who applies for a projection modification under Section 3202.4 shall record a covenant, complying with Section 106.6.4, with the Recorder of Deeds.

3202.4.2.5 Referrals. The code official shall refer all applications for projections under Section 3202.4.2 to the Public Space Committee for consideration and recommendation.

3202.5 Projections on streets to be widened. No new projections shall be allowed on the parts of streets to be widened in conformity with adopted and recorded highway extension plans until such parts of streets are so widened.

Exceptions. Where existing streets or avenues are widened, or new streets or avenues are laid out and opened, in conformity with the adopted and recorded highway extension plans, in subdivisions existing at the time of record of such plans, and such widening or opening shall leave buildings or parts of buildings on such streets or avenues, such buildings will be allowed projections beyond the building line. The projections of such buildings shall be limited in size to those allowed for porches but no limitations shall be placed upon the kind of projection unless the facade is structurally altered. In case the facade is structurally altered the projections shall conform in all respects to those described in the following regulations. Such buildings are permitted to be moved under permit to another location on the same lot, upon compliance with applicable regulations.

3202.6 Streets on which projections are prohibited. No projections except cornices, bases, sills, belt courses, pilasters, and water tables, shall be permitted beyond the building line of the streets listed below.

1. North side of Good Hope Road between Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue and Eighteenth Street, S.E.;
2. Florida Avenue, N.W., from Seventh Street to Ninth Street;
3. Maine Avenue, S.W., from Seventh Street to Fourteenth Street;
4. M Street, N.W., from Twenty-ninth Street to Thirty-sixth Street;
5. K Street, N.W., from Rock Creek westward to Wisconsin Avenue;
6. Water Street, N.W., from Wisconsin Avenue westward to the termination of said street;
7. Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., from the angle south of N Street to the north roadway of Q Street;
8. Twelfth Street, N.W., from Monroe Street to the angle north of Otis Street;

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9. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, S.E. from Good Hope Road to the northern boundary of the grounds of St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

3202.7 General restrictions. All projections shall comply with the provisions of Sections 3202.7.1 through 3202.7.6.

3202.7.1 Limitations based on street width. No projection other than uncovered steps, cornices, bases, water tables or pilasters, shall be allowed on any street less than 60 feet (18 288 mm) in width and in any case a clear space from the outer edge of the curb to the outer face of all projections and steps shall be preserved and shall be not less than:

1. Six (6) feet (1829 mm) on streets 40 feet (12 192 mm) but less than 50 feet (15 250 mm) wide;
2. Eight (8) feet (2438 mm) on streets 50 feet (15 240 mm) but less than 60 feet (18 288 mm) wide;
3. Ten (10) feet (3048 mm) on streets 60 feet (18 288 mm) to and including 80 feet (24 384 mm) wide;
4. Twelve (12) feet (3658 mm) on streets over 80 feet (24 384 mm) to and including 90 feet (27 432 mm) wide;
5. Fifteen (15) feet (4572 mm) on streets more than 90 feet (27 432 mm) wide.

3202.7.2 Clearance. Except as provided in Section 3202.7.2.1 a clear space of at least eight (8) inches (203 mm) shall be preserved between party lines or alley lines extended and the outer walls or sides of projections.

3202.7.2.1 Clearance exemption. Cornices, belt courses, pilasters, bases, water tables, and walls or areas, are permitted to extend to but not over party lines or alley lines extended, but shall be constructed so that the removal of one house or its projections will not affect or damage the adjoining house or projections and will not interfere with the construction or reconstruction of projections or buildings on the adjoining property.

3202.7.2.2 Definition of party lines extended. The term "party lines extended" means lines through the corners of the property and perpendicular to the street.

3202.7.3 Chimneys. No chimney shall project beyond the building line or building restriction line.

3202.7.4 Plumbing fixtures. No plumbing fixtures shall be located in projections.

3202.7.5 Overhead projections. No portion of a sign, fixture, marquee, or other overhead projection of a building shall extend over public space closer than 18 inches

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(457 mm) from of the curb line, except as provided for market sheds in Sections 3202.12.4 through 3202.12.4.3.

3202.7.6 Construction of projections. Except as modified elsewhere herein for specific projections, all projections shall be constructed of noncombustible materials. Roofing, skylights and roof domes in projecting structures are permitted to be of the same materials as allowed for similar non-projecting structures.

3202.8 Projections requiring special approval. Projections under Sections 3202.8.1 and 3202.8.2 shall require approval by the Director of Public Works.

3202.8.1 Pedestrian walkways and tunnels. Pedestrian walkways and tunnels shall meet the requirements of Section 3104. In addition, the vertical clearance from the public right-of-way to the lowest part of a pedestrian walkway shall be 15 feet (4572 mm) minimum.

3202.8.2 Porte-cocheres. Porte-cocheres shall be permitted one story in height. All driveways and approaches crossing sidewalks or parking lots shall be paved and otherwise improved to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works.

3202.9 Subsurface projections. Areaway, vault, and coal chute projections shall comply with the requirements of Sections 3202.9.1 through 3202.9.3.

3202.9.1 Areaways. Areaway projections shall comply with the following requirements:

Width. The width to outside of area enclosing walls between lot lines extended is not limited. The extent of projection shall be measured from the building line to the inside face of the areaway wall.

3202.9.1.2 Enclosure height. The height of areaway enclosures shall be limited to the surface of the pavement or grade.

Exceptions. Copings not over 8 inches (203 mm) high, and railings.

3202.9.1.3 Projection. Projection beyond the building shall be limited by zoning districts, as defined in the current Zoning Regulations, as follows:

1. Four (4) feet (1219 mm) on streets in C, C-M, and M Districts.
2. Four (4) feet (1219 mm) on unparked streets in Residential Districts and SP Districts, more than 60 feet (18288 mm) wide.
3. Six (6) feet (1829 mm) on parked streets in Residential Districts and SP Districts, 60 to 70 feet (18288 mm to 21336 mm) wide.

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4. 6 ½ feet (1981 mm) on parked streets in Residential Districts and SP Districts, more than 70 feet (21 336 mm) wide.
5. Seven (7) feet (2134 mm) on parked streets in Residential Districts and SP Districts where parking is 20 feet (6096 mm) or more in width.

3202.9.1.4 Other requirements. Areaways shall be protected by strong metal railing not less than 42 inches (1067 mm) nor more than 48 inches (1219 mm) high. Proper protection by metal railings shall be provided where steps or platforms are built over areas. Basement or cellar steps in areaways shall be protected in the same way and have gates at top of steps unless otherwise protected.

Exception. Areaways located in unpaved parking that cannot lawfully be paved are permitted to be protected by substantial metal gratings.

3202.9.1.5 Alley location prohibited. Areaways shall not be located in an alley.

3202.9.2 Vaults. Vaults shall comply with the requirements of Sections 3202.9.2.1 through

3202.9.2.1 Permits. Applications for vault permits shall comply with the following:

1. Plans shall be submitted showing the location and dimensions of the vault and all openings, the depth, and proposed construction.
2. The application for a vault permit shall be accompanied by a certified copy showing the recordation with the Recorder of Deeds, District of Columbia, of a written agreement upon the official form for the purpose signed by the owner of the abutting property, contracting to release and relinquish the vault space, and to remove, free of expense to the District of Columbia, all structural parts of the vault when so ordered by the code official, as required by the Police Regulations.

3202.9.2.2 Size and openings. Vault design shall comply with the following:

1. The size and extent of vaults, and the number and size of openings, will be a matter of special determination in each case by the code official.
2. Vaults extending under alleys shall have no openings in alley pavement, and shall not extend within 2.5 feet (762 mm) of the center of the alley.

3202.9.2.3 Use of vault space. The use of the vault space shall be restricted as follows:

1. In business districts, vaults shall not be used for: public entrances to basements; exit corridors unless they are open areaway stairs; the housing of boilers, plumbing fixtures, propane or any similar flammable gas; or the housing of mechanical appliances or any equipment not removable within 24 hours. However, except for transformer vaults, vaults shall be allowed to be used for the storage of readily movable personal property and equipment, for sales or office space, for the storage of fuel oil tanks, or for the parking of motor vehicles. Ducts, pipes, wiring, fans, ducted air shafts, and similar items which can be removed or relocated if vault space is removed shall be allowed to be installed in vault space.
2. In business districts, filling pipes for fuel oil shall be extended to within 18 inches (457 mm) of the curb line when physically possible. Such pipes shall terminate in filling boxes of approved design. A separate permit shall be required for filling pipes and boxes.
3. If openings in the roofs of vaults are used for sidewalk elevators or for runways, they shall be located as near to the curb as possible and shall be equipped with heavy metal safety doors and frames.
4. The code official is authorized to approve other uses not forbidden by law, code, or regulation.

3202.9.2.4 Vault cover. Cover over vaults shall comply with the following:

1. The paving over vaults shall be laid according to specifications of the Department of Public Works for surface paving and shall conform with established grades. All such coverings shall be so constructed as to be flush with pavement, and have a roughened surface to provide security to persons passing over them. Pavements over vaults shall be laid at the expense and risk of the owner of abutting property, but not until a special permit or order has been issued by the Department of Public Works. The roof of a vault between the curb and building lines shall at no place be less than 4 inches (102 mm) below the approved sidewalk grade at that point.
2. Vaults shall be roofed over within a reasonable time or within the time fixed by the permit. Whenever the grade is changed, the vault shall be changed and repaved at the expense of the owner of abutting property, to comply with the new grade.

3202.9.2.5 Interference with utilities. Construction of vaults shall observe the following restrictions:

1. Vaults shall be constructed so as not to interfere with sewers, water mains, gas mains, electric or telephone conduits, signal conduits, manholes, lamp posts, trees, or any other public or public utility works or improvements.
2. If construction or alteration of a vault requires the removal or relocation of utilities, and if by agreement a public utility or District utility arranges to alter its facilities, the owner of abutting property shall notify the appropriate company or office concerned as to when he or she has been issued a permit and is ready to start construction or alteration work.

3202.9.3 Coal chutes. In Residential and SP Districts, coal chutes with circular cast iron covers shall be allowable to be located within the space allowed for areaways, provided however, that no coal chute shall be located within the sidewalk space. In C, C-M, and M Districts, the location of coal chutes shall conform to the requirements for vaults.

3202.10 Balconies, windows, towers and structural trim. Balconies, windows, towers and structural trim shall conform to the provisions to Sections 3202.10.1 through 3202.10.9.

3202.10.1 General restrictions. The restrictions of Sections 3202.10.1.1 and 3202.10.1.2 shall apply to projections as specified therein.

3202.10.1.1 Prohibition on alley location. No balcony, bay or oriel window, or tower shall project over alley spaces.

3202.10.1.2 Restrictions based on zoning districts. No bay or oriel window, or tower projecting over public space shall be allowed on buildings to be built in C, C-M, or M Districts, as defined in the current Zoning Regulations. No show windows projecting over public space shall be allowed on buildings to be built in Residential or SP Districts, as defined in the current Zoning Regulations. Where such projections are on existing buildings in such districts, and the buildings are structurally altered, the projections shall be removed. Bay or oriel windows, or towers are permitted on buildings in Residential or SP Districts, including one or more street fronts of such buildings.

3202.10.2 Balconies. Balconies shall comply with the following width, height, and projection requirements:

3202.10.2.1 Width. Balcony width is unlimited except for 8-inch separation from party or lot lines extended. Where balconies are built in conjunction with bay windows, they shall comply in width with the requirements for bay windows and be included in their width.

3202.10.2.2 Height. Height of railings shall be limited to 3 feet 6 inches (1067 mm) above the floor of the balcony.

3202.10.2.3 Projection. The balcony projection shall be limited to 3 feet (914 mm) from the building line on streets more than 60 feet (18 288 mm) and less than 70 feet (21 336 mm) wide, and to 4 feet (1219 mm) from the building line on streets 70 feet (21 336 mm) or more in width.

3203.10.3 Bay windows. Stairways shall not be permitted in the bay windows. Doors, not swinging beyond the projection, shall be permitted.

3203.10.3.1 Width. The width of bay windows shall be limited as follows:

1. A single projection of 9 feet (2743 mm) in width shall be allowed for all buildings having a width of 16 feet (4877 mm) or more at the building line; the allowable width of a single projection shall increase 6 inches (152 mm) for every foot (305 mm) of increase in the width of the buildings 24 feet (7315 mm) wide at the building line. For buildings over 24 feet (7315 mm) in width the allowable width of a single projection shall increase 2 inches (51 mm) for every foot (305 mm) of increase in width of the building over 24 feet (7315 mm).
2. Double projections (two separate projections) shall not be allowed on buildings less than 24 feet (7315 mm) wide at the building line. On buildings 24 feet (7315 mm) wide a double projection shall be allowed, the total width of both projections not to exceed 13 feet (3962 mm). The allowable width of double or multiple projections on buildings exceeding 24 feet (7315 mm) wide at the building line shall be increased 6 inches (152 mm) for each foot (305 mm) of increased building width over 24 feet (7315 mm).
3. The width of all projections shall be measured at a distance of one foot from the building line.
4. Bay window projections of buildings on interior lots shall not extend beyond party lines extended. Bay windows at the corner of two streets are permitted to be continued around the corner. The portion of the bay window beyond building lines extended shall not be counted in the width of projections on either front.

3202.10.3.2 Height. The height of bay windows is not limited.

3202.10.3.3 Projection. The projection shall be limited as follows:

1. Three (3) feet (914 mm) on streets 60 feet (18 288 mm) to 70 feet (21 336 mm) wide.
2. Four (4) feet (1219 mm) on streets more than 70 feet (21 336 mm) wide.

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3202.10.4 Oriel and show windows. Oriel and show windows shall conform with all the requirements governing bay windows.

3202.10.5 Towers. Tower projections shall conform with all the requirements governing bay windows.

3202.10.6 Colonnades. The width of colonnades is not limited except by the clearance from party and alley lines extended required under Section 3202.7.2. Colonnades shall comply with the following height and projection requirements:

3202.10.6.1 Height. The height of colonnades is limited to two stories above grade. The main floor of the colonnade shall not be more than 7 inches (178 mm) above grade.

3202.10.6.2 Projection. Colonnade projection is limited to 6 feet (1829 mm) where parking is 17 feet (5182 mm) or more wide. No colonnades shall be permitted where parking is less than 17 feet (5182 mm) wide.

3202.10.7 Pilasters. Pilasters not more than 5 feet (1524 mm) wide are permitted to project 4 inches (102 mm) beyond the building line; pilaster bases are permitted to project 8 inches (203 mm) beyond the building line.

3202.10.8 Bases, water tables, and sills. Bases and water tables shall not be more than 4 feet (1219 mm) above grade at the building wall nor above window sill level of the main story. Their length is not limited. The projection beyond the building line of bases, water tables, and window and other sills, is limited to 8 inches (203 mm).

3202.10.9 Belt courses, cornices and roof overhangs. The length and height of belt courses, cornices, and roof overhangs are not limited. The projection beyond the building line is limited to 8 inches (203 mm) for belt courses and 60 inches for cornices and roof overhangs.

3202.11 Porches, steps, ramps and doors. Porches, steps, ramps and doors shall conform to the provisions of Sections 3202.11.1 through 3202.11.5.

3202.11.1 Restrictions by zoning districts. Porch and step projections shall be allowed only in Residential and SP Districts, as established by the current Zoning Regulations.

3202.11.2 Porches. Porches shall have open balustrades or railings and shall be open to the roof. The floor of the porch shall be not more than 5 feet (1524 mm) above the terrace, parking, or pavement.

3202.11.2.1 Width. Where there are no bay windows, oriel or tower projections, porches shall not be limited in width. Where there are such projections in the same story, the total width of porch and bay window, oriel, or tower projections shall not exceed that given for multiple bay window projections.

3202.11.2.2 Height. Porches shall be limited to one story in case of wood frame construction. Porches of more than one story in height shall be of noncombustible construction throughout and shall conform to the provisions for bay windows in Section 3202.10.3 as to the width and extent of projection beyond the building line.

3202.11.2.3 Projection. Porch projection shall be limited as follows:

1. Three (3) feet (914 mm) on unparked streets, 60 feet (18 288 mm) to 70 feet (21 336 mm) wide.
2. Four (4) feet (1219 mm) on unparked streets more than 70 feet (21 336 mm) wide.
3. Five (5) feet (1524 mm) on all parked streets.

3202.11.2.4 Rear porches. Porches on rear of dwellings shall not project over the building line or building restriction line.

3202.11.3 Steps and ramps. Steps and ramps are not limited in width but shall comply with the following height and projection requirements.

3202.11.3.1 Height. Step and ramp heights shall be limited to that of the main floor.

3202.11.3.2 Projection. Step and ramp projection shall be limited as follows:

1. Three (3) feet (914 mm) on unparked streets 40 feet (12 192 mm) but less than 45 feet (13 716 mm) wide.
2. Four (4) feet (12 192 mm) on unparked streets 45 feet (13 716 mm) but less than 70 feet (21 336 mm) wide.
3. Five (5) feet (1524 mm) on unparked streets 70 feet (21 336 mm) but less than 80 feet (24 384 mm) wide.
4. Six (6) feet (1829 mm) on unparked streets 80 feet (24 384 mm) wide or over.
5. Ten (10) feet (3048 mm) on parked streets.

3202.11.4 Projecting doors and windows. Projecting doors and windows shall conform to the provisions of Sections 3202.11.4.1 through 3202.11.5.

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3202.11.4.1 Permanent doors or windows. No permanent door or window shall open outward on public spaces when less than 12 feet (3658 mm) above the sidewalk grade.

Exception. Where the line of travel is protected by an adjoining porch, terrace, bay window, areaway, or similar construction, projecting not less than the outward swing of the door, permanent doors or windows are permitted to open outward.

3202.11.4.2 Residential or SP districts. Permanent doors and windows in Residential or SP Districts shall be allowed to open on public parking, provided they do not encroach on any sidewalk or driveway.

3202.11.5 Storm doors. Storm doors projection beyond the building shall not exceed 3 feet (914 mm) and width of enclosure shall be not more than 3 feet 914 mm) beyond each side of the permanent door opening. When doors are located on a business street where there is no parking, doors shall be placed in the side of the vestibule and open outward or be double acting.

3202.12 Awnings, canopies, marquees, market sheds, platforms, and scales. Awnings canopies, marquees, market sheds, platforms, and scales shall conform to the provisions of this Section and other applicable Sections of this code.

3202.12.1 Awnings. Awnings shall conform to the provisions of this Section, Section 3105 and other applicable Sections of this code.

3202.12.1.1 Projecting awnings beyond the building line. Awnings shall have a minimum clear height of 8 feet (2438 mm) above the sidewalk or any other space used by the public, and shall comply with the provisions of Sections 3202.12.1 through 3202.12.1.6.

3202.12.1.2 Folding, hinged or fixed awnings. Folding, hinged or fixed type awnings attached only to the structure are permitted to be erected over windows, show windows and doors and shall extend not over 5 feet (1524 mm) beyond the point of attachment. The width shall be sufficient to cover only the door or opening and a reasonable distance each side thereof.

Exception: Projecting porches are permitted to be covered with an awning in Residential Districts.

3202.12.1.3 Awnings over parking and sidewalks. Awnings with fixed iron posts and frames are permitted to be erected beyond the building line to the inner line of the sidewalk. The code official is authorized to approve permits for awnings of this class for use in conjunction with any place of assembly having an occupant capacity greater than 100 persons; with any residential building having more than 50 dwelling units; and with any mercantile establishment or business building when such establishment or business building has a frontage of 100 feet

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(30480 mm) or more on the street on which the awning is proposed or contains more than 15,000 square feet (1,393.5 square meters) in area per floor.

3202.12.1.4 Specific cases. In specific cases where the code official determines that such an installation would be of merit without being detrimental to the public, awnings over sidewalks may extend as close as 18 inches (457 mm) from the curb. In these cases, when the code official determines that (a) pedestrian traffic flow will not be impeded, (b) the presence of such an awning will not detract from the appearance of the neighborhood, and (c) such an awning will be of convenience to the patrons of the establishment served by the awning, especially in the loading and unloading of vehicular traffic in inclement weather, the code official is authorized to grant approval.

3202.12.1.5 Awning width. The width of awnings over parking or sidewalks typically shall be limited to the width of the door or opening and a reasonable distance each side thereof. Awnings shall be of approved fire-retardant material and of sufficient size to afford cover over the authorized seating area, preserving a minimum clearance of 8 inches (203 mm) from the party lines extended. All permit applications must be accompanied by drawings showing the spacing of all posts and method of anchoring. The frames shall be structurally stable and posts shall be so located as not to impede the principal flow of pedestrian traffic. Posts shall be rigidly secured at the base in sockets or by other approved means.

3202.12.1.6 Temporary awnings or canopies. Permits for sockets in the sidewalk for temporary covered ways across sidewalks or parking, as provided in Section 105 of DCMR Title 24 shall be issued upon approval of the Department of Public Works. Permits for sockets confer no authority to erect temporary covered ways across sidewalks or any other space used by the public. Where sockets have been regularly installed, the Police Department will thereafter issue temporary permits authorizing the use of the temporary covered way in inclement weather.

3202.12.2 Canopies. Canopies shall conform to the provisions of this Section, Section 3105 and other applicable Sections of this code. Canopies are permitted to be erected in the C, C-M, and M Districts over show windows or other display openings and loading platforms, subject to the following limitations:

3202.12.2.1 Width. Canopies are permitted to extend laterally on a building so as to cover the display window or space and a reasonable distance on each side thereof.

3202.12.2.2 Clearance. The minimum clearance from the sidewalk or any other space used by the public to the lowest part of any canopy shall be 8 feet (2438 mm).

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3202.12.2.3 Projection. Canopy projections shall not exceed 5 feet (1524 mm) into public space unless the plans are submitted to and approved by the code official.

3202.12.3 Marquees. Marquees shall conform to the provisions of this Section, Section 3106 and other applicable Sections of this code. Marquees shall meet the following width, height, and projection requirements:

3202.12.3.1 Width. No construction supported directly from the building, either under the name of "marquee" or otherwise, shall be permitted to extend laterally on a building more than a sufficient length to cover the entrance and a reasonable distance on each side thereof.

Exceptions. Covered porches and marquees over loading platforms.

3202.12.3.2 Clearance. The minimum clearance from the sidewalk or any other space used by the public to the lowest part of any marquee shall be 8 feet (2438 mm).

3202.12.3.3 Projection. On a parked street in a Residential District where the parking is not paved, or under Section 104.7 of DCMR Title 24 may not be paved, a marquee is permitted to project to the outer edge of line of said parking. On streets within C, C-M, and M Districts, on streets in a Residential District having no parking and streets on which the parking is paved or under Section 104.7 of DCMR Title 24 is permitted to be paved, the projection shall not exceed 5 feet (1524 mm), provided that if it is desired to exceed in projection the limits above specified, or to construct or support a marquee on posts, or otherwise than directly from the building, plans therefor shall be submitted to and approved by the code official.

3202.12.4 Market sheds. A market shed shall be permitted only on a site occupied by a market or produce house, when such site has been specifically designated as a market area.

3202.12.4.1 Design. The design of market sheds shall be approved by the code official, a permit shall be required, and all market sheds shall comply with the following provisions:

1. The shed roof is permitted over the public parking and public sidewalk of a building or buildings used for market purposes, extending from the building line to the curb.
2. The line of supports for the shed roof shall be at the inner edge of the sidewalk, the overhang being supported as a cantilever, unless the location of supports is otherwise approved by the Department of Public Works.

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The shed is permitted to be supported by hanging from the wall of the building when approved by the code official.

3. Gutters shall be provided throughout the length of all shed roofs, with downspouts equivalent to a 2 ½-inch pipe per 200 square feet of surface drains, the pitch of the roof to be at least ½ inch per foot.
4. Shed roofs shall be furnished with electric lights beneath them with a candlepower equivalent to one 100-candles lamp per 100 linear feet (30480 mm) of shed or fraction thereof.
5. Shed roofs shall comply with all structural requirements of Chapter 16 and other applicable Sections of this code.

3202.12.4.2 Use of space. No public space beneath a shed constructed as above shall be used for the display, sale or storage of produce or containers.

Exception. An area specifically designated as a market area for the retail or wholesale sale of produce on the premises is permitted to be used for the display, sale or storage of produce or containers. The exception shall not affect the temporary storage of materials incident to loading and unloading.

3202.12.4.3 Special conditions. The foregoing rules shall be observed by the code official as a guide in issuing permits for such construction except where the conditions are so obviously at variance with these general rules as to require special consideration. Cases requiring special **consideration shall be reviewed as modifications pursuant to Chapter 1.**

3202.12.5 Loading platforms. The code official is authorized to approve loading platforms projecting more than 5 feet (1524 mm) beyond the building line, in C-M and M Districts. Canopies over such platforms shall be permitted. Special approval by the code official shall be required for such platforms and canopies.

3202.12.6 Platform scales. Platform scales projecting on public space are permitted in C-M and M Districts. Special approval by the Director of Public Works shall be required.

3202.13 Enclosed sidewalk cafés. Enclosed sidewalk cafés shall comply with this Section and all other applicable Sections of this code.

3202.13.1 Permits. Permits for enclosed sidewalk cafés shall be issued by the code official and shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Each application shall be accompanied by drawings of the structure, prepared and signed by a structural engineer registered in the District of Columbia. Other enforceable laws and regulations governing sidewalk cafes include: The Enclosed Sidewalk Café Act of 1982, D.C. Law 4-148, effective September 16, 1982; Chapters 2 and 3 of DCMR Title 24; Mayor's Order

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No. 77-150, effective August 31, 1977; and regulations of the Department of Public Works, 30 D.C.R. 4346, August 26, 1983.

3202.13.2 Design. Permits for enclosed sidewalk cafés shall comply with Sections 3202.13.2.1 through 3202.13.2.5.

3202.13.2.1 Walls and roofs. Enclosed sidewalk cafés must have walls and roofs constructed of noncombustible materials.

3202.13.2.2 Flooring. Flooring shall comply with Section 804.

3202.13.2.3 Enclosure materials. Any enclosure materials, and the contents enclosed therein, must be capable of being removed within 24 hours.

3202.13.2.4 Structural requirements. Enclosed sidewalk cafés shall be constructed in accordance with Chapter 16 and other applicable Sections of this code.

3202.13.2.5 Exits. When the combined occupancies of the sidewalk café and the adjacent restaurant exceed 75 persons, two exits shall be provided from the sidewalk café, one of which shall open directly to the sidewalk, public alley, or public space abutting the café, and the other may open into the abutting restaurant. If two means of egress are required for the adjacent business property, both means of egress shall be required for the sidewalk café. If one of the exits is in the center of the café and serves the interior of the restaurant, the required aisle width shall be increased to a width deemed acceptable by the code official.

CHAPTER 33A SAFEGUARDS DURING CONSTRUCTION

SECTION 3301A GENERAL

Add Section 3301.2.1 to read as follows:

3301.2.1 OSHA. Worker safety, health, and hazards involved in building operations shall be designed in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1926 of Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standards listed in Chapter 35.

SECTION 3303A DEMOLITION

Add new Sections 3303.1.1 through 3303.1.4 to read as follows:

3303.1.1 Required safeguards. Props, posts, braces, stages, platforms and scaffolding necessary to provide sufficient strength and rigidity to the portions of the structure being demolished or removed shall be provided.

3303.1.2 Special approval. No structure, or portion thereof, being demolished shall be pulled or blasted, unless specific approval is given by the code official.

3303.1.3 Grade level of walls. All walls being demolished, including foundation and interior basement walls (but not including party walls on property lines), shall be reduced to a level below that of final grade.

3303.1.4 Vaults. All vaults projecting into public space, including walls, shall be removed in their entirety and the depression filled in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Public Works.

Revise Section 3303.4 to read as follows:

3303.4 Site treatment. Where a structure has been demolished or removed, the vacant lot shall be filled and maintained to the existing grade in accordance with applicable regulations of this code and jurisdiction.

Add new Sections 3303.4.1 through 3303.4.4 to read as follows:

3303.4.1 Driveways. All driveways in public space shall be removed in their entirety and new curbs and pavement constructed in accordance with the specifications of the Department of Public Works. The cost of the removal of the driveways and replacement

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of the curbs and pavement shall be the responsibility of the person executing the demolition.

3303.4.2 Fill. Excavations, holes, and depressions shall be filled and leveled to a final grade which will provide good drainage.

3303.4.3 Fill materials. No materials other than Class 1, Class 2 or Class 3 fill material shall be used in filling depressions and grading the site. All depressions shall be filled; all excess earth, all building materials, and all debris shall be removed from the site; and the premises shall be left in a safe, clean and sanitary condition. All work shall be done in accordance with the Department of Health Environmental Health Administration Watershed Protection Division and, where applicable, the Department of Public Works.

3303.4.4 Timing. Deferral, for a period of not more than six (6) months, of the provisions for site treatment after removal of an existing building, shall be permitted if a new building is to be constructed thereon and the new construction started at the site within six (6) months of completion of demolition. If site treatment is deferred, the site shall be completely fenced and maintained so as to exclude the public from access to the site during the period between demolition and new construction.

SECTION 3307A PROTECTION OF ADJOINING PROPERTY

Revise Section 3307.1 to read as follows:

3307.1 Protection required. Adjoining public and private property shall be protected from damage during construction, remodeling or demolition work. Protection must be provided for footings, foundations, party walls, chimneys, skylights, and roofs. Provisions shall be made to control water run-off and erosion during construction or demolition activities.

Add Sections 3307.2 through 3307.4 to read as follows:

3307.2 Notification required. The person causing work to be made that will affect an adjoining property shall provide written notice to the owners of adjoining buildings advising them of the intended work and that the adjoining buildings should be protected. If afforded the necessary written permission to enter the adjoining lot, building or structure, the person causing the construction, excavation, remodeling or demolition to be made shall at all times and at his or her own expense preserve and protect the adjoining lot, building or structure from damage or injury.

1. If the work is non-structural, notification shall be delivered to the adjoining property owner, with a copy to the code official, not less than 10 days prior to the scheduled starting date of the work.
2. If the work involves excavation requiring underpinning or other structural support of the adjoining building, the person causing the work shall notify the adjoining property owner by registered mail, with a copy to the code official, not less than thirty (30) days prior to

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the proposed starting date. This notification shall include a copy of all documents filed for necessary permits. The adjoining property owner shall have thirty (30) days to respond in writing. If the necessary written permission is not afforded, the adjoining owner and the code official shall be notified by registered mail. It shall then be the duty of the owner of the adjoining lot, building or structure to make safe his or her own property, for the prosecution of which said owner shall be granted the necessary written permission to enter the premises of the construction, excavation, remodeling or demolition.

3307.2.1 Underpinning party walls. In the case of existing adjoining or party walls which require underpinning, proper underpinning shall be provided in accordance with applicable sections of this code whether or not written permission to enter the adjoining lot is granted.

3307.2.1.1 Party walls. In case of party walls erected in the original city of Washington (Squares 1-1170), or party walls erected with written consent of the adjoining owners, or both, the person causing the work shall notify the adjoining property owner, with a copy to the code official, not less than thirty (30) days prior to the proposed starting date. This notification shall include a copy of all documents filed for necessary permits. The person causing such excavation need not obtain the written permission from the adjacent property owner to provide underpinning for the adjoining structure.

3307.2.2 Party wall maintenance. In case an existing party wall is intended to remain or be used by the person who causes a construction operation to be made, and such party wall is in good condition and sufficient for the use of both the existing and proposed building, such person shall preserve the party wall from injury and shall support the party wall by proper foundations at said person's own expense, so that the wall is and remains as is and useful as the party wall was before the work was commenced. During any construction operation, the party wall shall be maintained weatherproof and structurally safe by adequate bracing until such time as the permanent structural supports have been provided.

3307.2.2.1 Temporary protection. If the party wall is to remain exposed for less than sixty (60) days, the exposed portions of the wall shall be protected from weather damage by tarpaulins, waterproof paper, or other temporary means approved for use by the code official. Such temporary protection shall be maintained in a weatherproof condition.

3307.2.2.2 Intermediate protection. If the party wall is to remain exposed for more than sixty (60) days, but less than eighteen (18) months, the exposed wall shall be restored and weatherproofed in accordance with the requirements for the particular type of construction involved. All plaster and other material not commonly used for exterior construction shall be removed; all holes shall be properly filled; and masonry party walls shall be repointed.

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3307.2.2.3 Permanent protection. If the party wall is to remain exposed for eighteen (18) months or longer, the party walls shall be permanently restored and weatherproofed in accordance with the requirements for the particular type of construction involved. Party walls shall be faced with material commonly used for exterior finish, or restored as closely as practicable with the facing material and construction of the other exterior walls of the building left standing, and shall be painted or otherwise finished in a manner similar to other parts of the building.

3307.2.3 Party wall beam holes: Where a structure involving a party wall is being demolished, the owner of the demolished structure shall, at his or her own expense, bend over all wall anchors at the beam ends of the standing wall and shall brick up all open beam holes and otherwise maintain the safety and usefulness of the wall.

3307.2.4 Unsafe party walls. If any party wall or portion thereof which is left standing and exposed after a building is demolished or partially removed is deemed unsafe or dangerous by the code official, then the owner of the building that is being removed or demolished shall either remove and reconstruct, or anchor, brace, or buttress all of those portions of the party wall deemed unsafe or dangerous, and shall do all other work necessary to enclose properly the building or structure left standing.

3307.3 Chimneys, soil stacks, vent stacks, and windows. Wherever a new building or structure is erected to greater or lesser heights than an adjoining building, the construction and extension of new or existing chimneys, soil stacks, vent stacks, and the location of window openings shall comply with applicable sections of this code.

3307.4 Adjoining roofs and flashing. The owner shall repair and restore all flashing on any adjoining property, which has been broken or damaged during any construction operations. The owner shall also install such new flashing as may be required to protect any joints exposed by such operations. Where a new building or demolition of an existing building is being conducted at a greater height, the roof, roof outlets and roof structures of adjoining buildings shall be protected against damage with adequate safeguards by the person doing the work.

*District of Columbia Building Code Supplement of 2003***CHAPTER 34A EXISTING STRUCTURES***Chapter 34 of the International Building Code is deleted in its entirety, without replacement.***CHAPTER 35A REFERENCED STANDARDS***Add Reference Standard OSHA to read as follows:*

OSHA		Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration	
Standard Reference number	Title		Referenced in code section number
29 CFR - Part 1910	Occupational Safety and Health Standards		1607.14
29 CFR - Part 1926	Occupational Safety and Health Standards		3301.2.1